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VETS BEGIN RENT STRIKE

1400 at 2 Bronx Projects Vote Action in Fuel Fight

Tenants at the Castle Hill and Bruckner Veterans Housing Projects yesterday voted to put their rent strike into effect and retained Leo Isacson, American Labor Party candidate for Congress, to represent them in their actions.

Approximately 1,400 attended meetings at both projects yesterday afternoon and voted overwhelmingly to withhold rent until fuel oil is made available where needed and at a fair price. at the Bruckner project only one dissenting vote was cast.

TO APPEAL TO COUNCIL

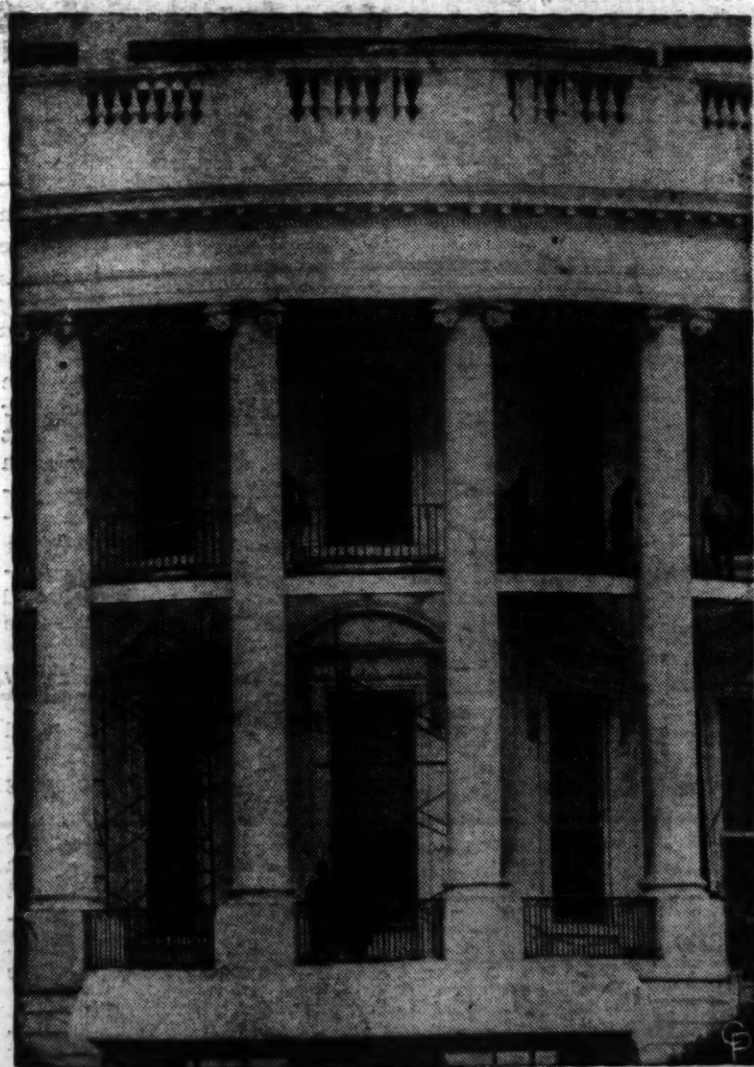
The veterans had previously voted in favor of a rent strike but had delayed putting it into effect pending a hearing at City Hall. They had their meeting Friday with Louis Cohen, Mayor O'Dwyer's assistant, and yesterday voted to strike since the city has not yet taken action to assure them adequate supplies of fuel oil.

Isacson, who addressed the vet tenants, will plead their case at hearings at 1 p.m. today before the City Council. The former assemblyman advised the veterans that the city has the same obligations towards them as a private landlord has toward his tenants.

In view of the dozens of other grievances of the tenants which have gone unheeded, Isacson declared that the city was guilty of practicing a "constructive eviction" and that the tenants had a legal right to withhold rent in these circumstances.

A "constructive eviction" is a legal term covering a situation where a landlord

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Home-Maker Harry: Just as if President Truman were going to occupy the place much longer, workmen continue constructing the much-discussed balcony addition to the south portico of the White House. Housing-hungry veterans are delighted that, despite criticism, Truman is going ahead to make the White House more home-like.

PICKET AGAINST DEPORTATIONS TODAY

A picket line to protest impending deportation of Claudia Jones and Alexander Bittelman will be held today at 11:30 a.m. before offices of the U.S. Department of Immigration, 70 Columbus Ave. The protest is sponsored by the New York State Committee, Communist Party.

Wallace Asks Rivals Reject Pro-Fascists

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 1 (UP).—Henry A. Wallace, third party presidential candidate, today called upon President Truman and other political candidates to take a pledge repudiating the support of any anti-democratic group or individual.

PCA Reports Big Growth In N.Y. State

By Max Gordon

ALBANY, Feb. 1.—The New York State organization of Progressive Citizens of America has gained a hundred members for every one lost since PCA's plea to Henry Wallace to enter the presidential race, according to Executive Secretary Paul Trilling.

Trilling told the second annual convention of the state organization yesterday that membership has increased at the rate of 750 a week since Wallace's name was projected. The state roster now includes 30,000 people in 150 branches, as compared with 9,000 members a year ago.

"From Buffalo to Suffolk, there was not a single group that dissented," Trilling said of the PCA's support of Wallace. "It is literally true that the endorsement gain us 100 members for every loss."

BACK WALLACE OK

The convention formally backed the national PCA's decision to give "its utmost energies and abilities in support of Wallace."

It proposed to set in motion the organization of a broad Wallace-for-President movement in New York State, both on a state scale and at all local levels. The state board was authorized to "encourage the prompt establishment of a Wallace-for-President Committee in the state and on local levels, and to participate in the work of such committees as affiliated organizations."

A plea from the floor that the convention go on record for a second independent party for Henry Wallace, in addition to the American Labor Party, was overwhelmingly rejected on the grounds that it was not up to PCA to decide unilaterally whether or not such a party was necessary.

The plea for a second party came in the form of an amendment to the resolution on organization. The resolution declared that "all problems of the campaign . . . including the question of the desirability of an independent as well as an ALP designation for Mr. Wallace" would have to be decided by all groups in the proposed Wallace-for-President Committee.

REJECTED OVERWHELMINGLY

In more than an hour of debate on the issue only four delegates supported the amendment, while about 20 backed the resolution. The amendment received only a few

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Wallace told about 2,000 supporters at a 'Wallace for President' statewide organization rally that he would accept the support of American Communists, however, because he saw "nothing criminal" in the advocacy of different economic and social ideas.

(The eastern division of the National Farmers' Union in Trenton, N. J. convention, unanimously endorsed the Wallace candidacy over the week-end.)

In Brunswick, Ga., Negro and white citizens have joined in a Wallace-for-President club, with the aim of building a third party in that state.

"The most frequent charge made against the American Communists is that they advocate the violent overthrow of the government of the United States," the former Vice President said. "I have not seen evidence to substantiate the charge, and I do find a Supreme Court decision

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Pro-Nazi Yugoslavs Join Anti-Jewish Army

By Sam Souki

BEIRUT, Lebanon, Feb. 1 (UP).—Twenty-five Yugoslavs who formerly served with Ante Pavelitch's pro-German Ustachi forces during the war arrived from France today and 24 were immediately sent to the interior of Syria to join Arab forces, according to well-informed sources.

One of the group was accused of being a Zionist spy and was arrested by Lebanese authorities who discovered that his credentials were faked. The remaining 24, mostly Moslems led by a Bosnian former colonel, Mohammed Kilany, continued their journey to train with Arab forces for service in Palestine, the sources said.

The alleged Zionist spy was reportedly given bogus credentials by the Jewish espionage organization and ordered to join Yugoslavs volunteering for service with the Arabs. The man was said to have confessed to authorities here under questioning that he was a Zionist.

Informed sources said Moslem Yugoslavs who volunteer in Europe for service with the "Arab Army for Liberation of Palestine" are examined closely by Arab recruiting agents in Europe and issued credentials addressed to "Palestine committees." The committees reportedly are operating in every major Arab city and port in the Middle East.

Most Yugoslavs now with the Arabs were believed to be Ustachis although one source said there

Rioting Spreads In India; 23 Now Dead

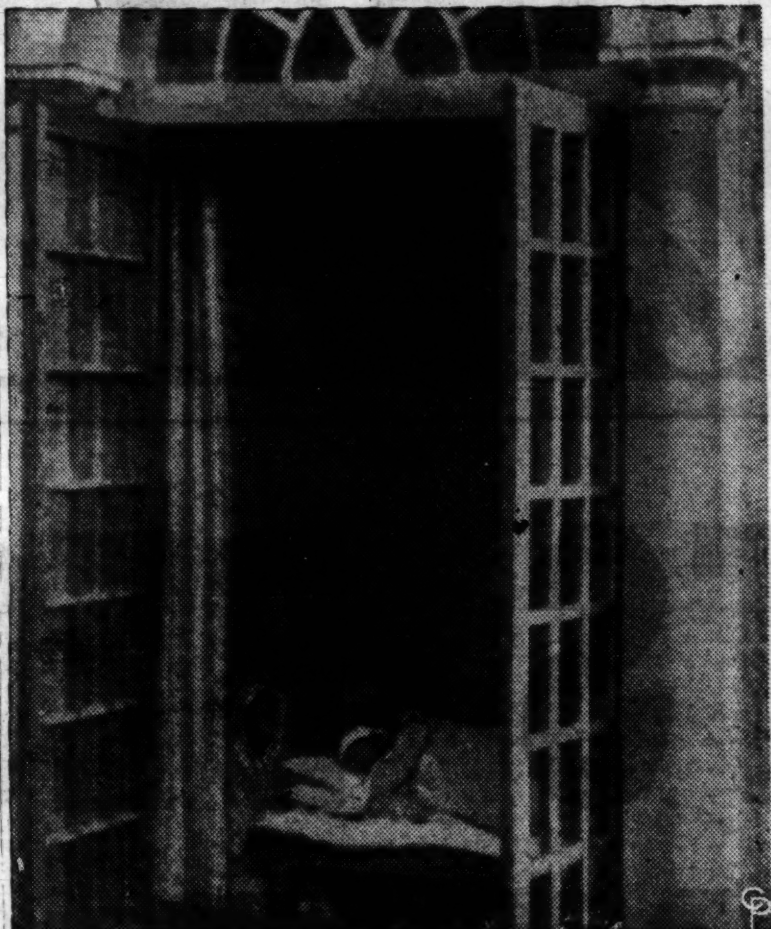
BOMBAY, Feb. 1 (UP).—Fatal rioting continued for the third day in Bombay today and spread dangerously to other cities of southern India. Police fired repeatedly into mobs in the Dadar suburb here. One man was killed outright, raising the total death

toll to 23, and another was reported to have died of wounds. In Miraj 400 miles southeast of Bombay police reported the situation out of control.

Miraj police appealed for reinforcements from neighboring towns after mobs ranged through the city for hours looting and burning homes and shops of Hindu extremists. There were reports of similar nature from Kolhapur and Sangli in the same area.

All the rioting to date, since the assassination of Mohandas K. Gandhi Friday, has involved Hindus alone—mobs attacking extremists who opposed Gandhi's policy of friendship with Moslems.

Rioting here was confined largely to the Dadar suburb, where police fired 28 rounds of ammunition and wounded nine persons.



One of the last pictures of Mohandas Gandhi as he carried out his fast in protest against Hindu-Moslem riots.

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1 (UP).—

Secret service agents have uncovered evidence of a nationwide conspiracy by Hindu extremists to assassinate Premier Jawaharlal Nehru and other leading members of the Congress Party including cabinet ministers, reliable police sources said tonight.

Police and secret service squads searched in New Delhi and other great cities for extremist leaders, believing that the assassination of Mohandas K. Gandhi was only the first move in a plot to liquidate all opponents of the extremist demand for Hindu rule of the entire sub-continent.

Turbulent mobs of Hindus, their sorrow over the death of Gandhi turned to rage, surged through the streets of the capital wrecking homes and business establishments of known extremists.

Spaniards Flock to U.S. 'Foreign Legion'

MADRID, Feb. 1 (UP).—Young Spaniards have been thronging to the U. S. embassy, seeking permission to join the American "Foreign Legion" which the Madrid press reported would be formed to serve in Palestine, the embassy reported today.

The press report, quoting an unidentified American Congressman, resulted in a barrage of letters and personal calls from prospective recruits, the embassy said.

Members of the embassy staff have been thanking applicants, but advising them that no such organization has been officially authorized.

Lawyers Guild Asks To Intervene in T-H Suit

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (UP).—The National Lawyers Guild said today that the anti-Communist provision of the Taft-Hartley labor law is unconstitutional because it discriminates against members of a "legal political party."

It announced that it has asked the Federal District Court for permission to file a brief in the case of the CIO National Maritime Union against the National Labor Relations Board. Officers of the union, which is headed by Joseph Curran, have refused to sign the non-Communist affidavits and also have asked the court to declare them unconstitutional.

The guild listed seven reasons why it considers the provision invalid.

They included the charge that it denies members of the Communist Party and those "affiliated" with it the right to engage in a vocation as a trade union official. It also said that union members are deprived of the "protection of the Federal Government against employer discrimination and coercion unless they purchase such protection by consent to governmental thought control."

Niemoeller Against Denazification

FRANKFURT, Germany, Feb. 1 (UP).—Pastor Martin Niemoeller, today condemned American denazification for "sowing new seeds of hatred" and forbade Lutheran ministers to take any further part in the program.

Negro History Week in THE WORKER

out this weekend

Read—
Joseph North's
"What Jim Crow Costs You"
one of the features
in
THE WORKER
On sale at newsstands Saturday and Sunday

'Trud' Editor to Head Journal of 9 European CPs

BEIGRADE, Yugoslavia, Feb. 1.—Pavel Yudin of the Soviet Union was appointed editor-in-chief of the Communist Information Bureau's semi-monthly journal at a meeting held in January, it was disclosed today.

Yudin is editor of Trud, the Soviet Union's daily newspaper for trade unions, and is vice president of the International Organization of Journalists. He headed the Russian delegation at the IOJ convention in Prague last summer.

The information bureau was organized last September in Poland by the Communist parties of nine countries.

Today's communique gave a new list of delegates to the bureau. It also disclosed an editorial board had been organized for the newspaper, whose title is "for lasting peace, for a peoples democracy."

The communique said: "In the middle of January the Information Bureau of the nine Communist parties held a meeting in Yugoslavia (headquarters is Belgrade), attended by representatives of the following central committees:

"Yugoslavia: I. Gosnjak and B. Zihari; Bulgaria: V. Poptomov (Vladimir Poptomov, director of the Communist Party newspaper in Sofia and delegate to the organizational meeting in Poland); Romania: I. Kishinevsky and I. Rautu; Hungary: M. Horvath and J. Biro.

Poland: Z. Klishko and J. Finkelstein; Soviet Russia: P. Yudin and

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Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

PRESIDENT TRUMAN insists that it was solely on his own initiative that he ousted Marriner Eccles as Federal Reserve Board chairman and replaced him with banker Tom McCabe. It is reassuring to learn from Mr. Truman that he is no longer influenced by the reactionaries but moves to the right under his own power.

Smuggling Jews into Zion: 'The British Destroyers Hit Us On Both Sides, Ripping Gaping Holes'

By ARNOLD DARE

Finally the day arrived when we were to take the people aboard. The tension increased. Making a final check through the ship, I found Dave, a very religious man, praying in one of the holds with his "talis." One didn't have to be Jewish to understand what he prayed for: all the hopes for

ABOUT THIS SERIES:

A former ship's officer of the American merchant marine tells his own story of how he helped bring refugees Jews to Palestine. Yesterday, Dare described the voyage across the Atlantic to the eastern European port of "Loda."

the people who were to arrive that night, that they might arrive safely, that the voyage might go well, and most of all that they would land in Palestine. Men kept looking down the railroad track, watching for a locomotive to appear. Finally it came. Car after car, an immense line, pulled up alongside the ship. Not a sound came from the cars. This was our first contact with the tremendous discipline of these people, a discipline that had been ground into the marrow of their bones through years of suffering. Their discipline meant life or death.

A SCENE TO REMEMBER

The Haganah had everything organized to the last detail. First, the old people marched down the dock, then the orphans. It is difficult to describe the scene. It was a quiet dark night, the people were dressed in ragged clothes picked up here and there. A mother had a baby on one arm, a bundle over the other. An old man was helped along by an old wife. The orphans were bundled so that as they marched along they looked as wide as they were high. A youth group marched and sang "Hatikvah." In an endless stream they kept coming.

By five in the morning they were all aboard. The Haganah chief asked Emile and his friend from the government if there were any gifts they desired. Emile, tired, smiled, and said:

"The best gift I could have is that the people got here safely and that they may arrive safely in Palestine."

Dawn was just breaking as the engines of the ship were put on "Stand By." Waving to our friends,

we moved away from the dock. Dave started singing "Hatikvah," and passengers and crew picked it up. We moved out into the sea as the song went out over the harbor in the early morning.

We were off on the last stage of our voyage. We would cross the Black Sea, Sea of Marmara, the Dardanelles, the Aegean and Mediterranean seas before we sighted our journey's end.

WEDDING ON SHIP

Passing through the Dardanelles there was tremendous excitement as preparations were made for a wedding. The young bride and her man had met in a "lager" in Europe and they now wished to begin their new life together as man and wife. Having no "Hupeh," the bridal canopy, a "talis" was rigged up as a canopy on the foredeck. Our radio operator contributed by connecting the loudspeaker to pick up the marriage ceremony and broadcast it throughout the ship to the people who had to stay in their bunks.

SIGHT DESTROYER

Just before the wedding we saw the lines of a destroyer on the horizon. We were certain it was one of our enemies. But it might be Greek or Turk. Full speed it came across the sea to us, wheeling and riding 50 yards off. Again we went through the old routine.

From the destroyer:

"I say there. What is your destination?"

Again we put on our Dinah Shore record, "Welcome, Welcome," and threw it full-blast at them.

But now we had an audience aboard who didn't understand the record. One fellow broadcast in Yiddish and Romanian. A laugh went through the entire ship at the announcement.

When the time for the wedding came, we were sailing through the beautiful sunny Aegean sea. The foredeck was crowded. The destroyer came closer. An old rabbi, his whiskers waving, shouted at them, waving his fist. Sailors and passengers sang.

The wedding left a tremendous emotional impact on the passengers. There were women who had lost their husbands in Auschwitz and other camps; men who had lost their wives; children who had lost their parents.

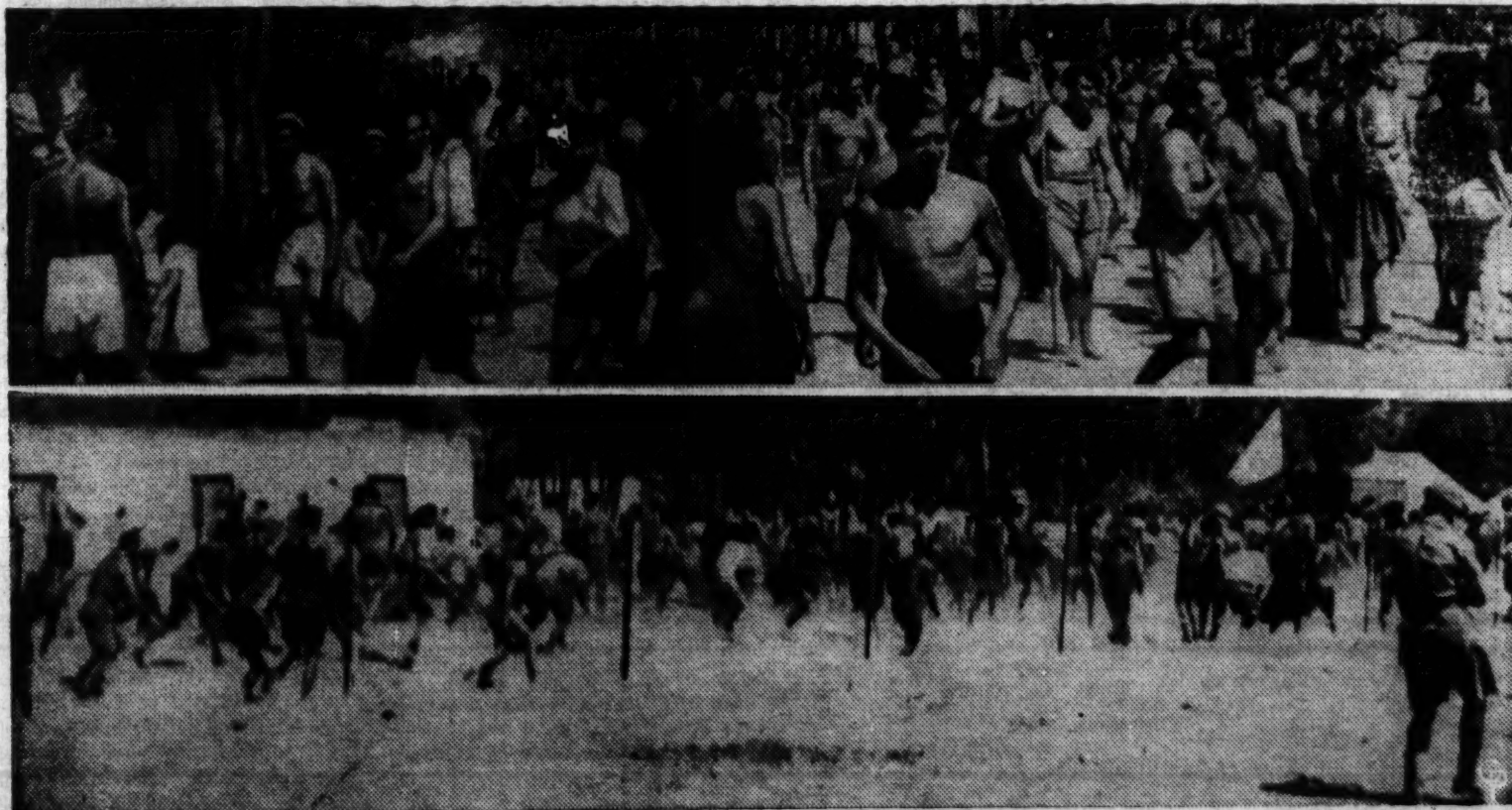
All saw in this new vision a symbol that life need promise again, that the struggle brought fruits as well as hardships. Not one could offer the couple a stateroom. There wasn't an inch of space available on the entire ship. This seemed to have little effect on their happiness.

SAIL THROUGH MINEFIELDS
We sailed south through the great minefields that still remain in these waters, laid by the Greeks, Italians, Turks, Germans and English. No one knew just where the mines lay. The weather remained beautiful.

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British soldiers round up Jews in Tel Aviv, Palestine, preparatory to sending them to concentration camps.



Jewish refugees (top) herded into a concentration camp at Cyprus by British soldiers, surge forward in an effort to speak to newspapermen. They crouch low (below) and run for cover as troops open fire.

Arab Bombs Shake Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, Feb. 1 (UP).—Fire broke out in the Palestine Post building in the heart of Jerusalem tonight after a shattering explosion believed to have been caused by an Arab bomb shook the city. All available fire engines, police and army forces were dispatched to the debris-cluttered scene.

The Sunday-long comparative

quiet in Jerusalem ended in mid-evening when there was a big explosion in the old city. It also was believed due to an Arab bomb. The explosion was followed by automatic arms fire—an exchange between British military sentries on rooftops and Arabs or between Arab and Jewish patrols.

Shortly afterward there was a

great explosion at the Palestine Post building, which also houses the United Press Jerusalem Bureau.

Police feared that several persons might be buried in debris.

John Donovan, National Broadcasting Company correspondent, saved the life of one man whom he dragged from the wreckage.

STARTING TODAY—

A new daily column of foreign information and comment by Joseph Starobin. See Page 8.

Beginning with this issue George Morris' "World of Labor" will also be found on Page 8. "As We See It" will be found on Page 9.

REG'LAR FELLERS—Slightly Delayed

By GENE BYRNES



Truman Backers Weaken CIO Price-Curb Fight

By Gerald Cook

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—The dilemma facing that section of the CIO which supports the Truman administration against the Wallace third party movement is clearly revealed in the CIO's vague price control program adopted at the Executive Board meeting here two weeks ago.

The legislative program, which withholds endorsement of the genuine anti-inflation measure introduced at the last session of the Senate by Sen. Glen Taylor (D-Idaho), was drawn up under the leadership of Paul Sifton of the United Automobile Workers.

Stressing the necessity of "economic stabilization" to maintain "full production needed to make good on our heavy moral commitments" under the Marshall Plan the program ignores the hardships high prices are inflicting on the American people.

Price controls "with continued collective bargaining on wages within the price ceilings" are called for but no demand is made for a rollback of prices. Controls which freeze prices at present inflated levels would provide little relief for the worker.

WHY THE VACILLATION

An examination of the two anti-inflation measures now before the Senate provides the key to the vacillation on price controls by some forces within the CIO.

The Taylor Bill (S-1923) formerly would have had the complete support of the CIO. It calls for an immediate price freeze at the highest level reached in November, 1947 and imposes general ceilings on goods at each stage of production and distribution. The bill would invest allocation and rationing powers under an independent administrative agency and provide for strict enforcement powers. The controls would continue through June, 1950.

The administration bill (S-11888), introduced by Sen. Alben W. Barkley (D-Ky) is a feeble measure which would allow each government department to temporarily freeze prices "when such action is necessary or proper." No provision is made for allocation or rationing. Enforcement is left to the Department of Justice. The measure also calls for a wage freeze.

Support of the Taylor Bill, which has the backing of some CIO unions and the third-party move-

ment, would represent an opposition to the Truman administration. For this reason the Carey-UAW group has chosen to sacrifice the needs of the CIO membership and the people as a whole.

On the other hand the Barkley Bill is too blatant an example of the administration's intention to do nothing about prices. In addition the wage freeze clause makes labor support for the measure too obvious a sell-out to the Truman administration.

NEW BILL

It is felt here that the pro-Truman CIO forces are trying to resolve the embarrassing problem with the introduction of another price control bill which would closely parallel the Taylor measure. It is expected that Sen. Elbert D. Thomas (D-Utah) will introduce such a bill in the current session.

In this way the anti-third party forces could avoid a break with Truman on the price control question and extricate themselves from the weak position in which their legislative program places them.

Meanwhile the fight for adequate (Continued on Page 10)

Queens ALP Demands No Hike in Fare

Flat rejection of any fare increase and a demand upon Queens members of the State Legislature to resist any contemplated burdens on strap-hangers were called for in a resolution adopted by the Executive Committee of the Queens County American Labor Party. The resolution also asked increased state aid as a means of meeting the present needs of the City for "long over-due expansion of hospitals, schools and other public services and for payment of decent wages to its transit workers and other civil service employees."

Ford Men Vote T-H Compliance

DETROIT, Feb. 1.—River Rouge Ford Workers have voted 7,548 for signing the Taft-Hartley yellow dog affidavits to 4,658 against, it was announced yesterday. The total vote was 12,206 with 52,794 workers not voting.

The referendum vote on compliance with the "non-Communist" affidavits came about when five local officers refused to sign, following a 95 to 65 vote for compliance by the local's general council.

The five are James Couser, financial secretary; William Johnson, recording secretary; William McKie, trustee; John Gallo, guide and Ed Lock, president of the Plastic Building.

The five stated that the fight against the Taft-Hartley Act will go on regardless. The next stage of the issue is expected to come before the local's general council which meets Feb. 8.

STATE UN-AMERICAN BODIES GET A LICKING

By Art Shields

State Un-American Committees are taking a licking. The Civil Rights Congress reports that the Washington State un-American body, modeled after the Thomas-Rankin Committee, was temporarily barred by a court order last week from spending any state money for its smear "investigations."

The court order came in time to prevent a public red-baiting hearing in Seattle against the state's militant Pension Union.

The Northwestern Thomas-Rankin Committee were put in cold storage some time after a Michigan State Un-American Committee established, under the Callahan Act, had been laid on the shelf for an indefinite period by state authorities as the result of a popular petition movement.

Two down and one more to go. The Tenney Committee of California is the only state un-American committee left.

FUNDS TIED UP

The Washington court order was signed by Superior Judge Roger J. Meakin. It restrains the smear-bund from "acting under color or authority or in the name of the state of Washington."

None of the \$43,231 appropriated for the use of this committee can be spent while the restraining order is in force.

The court order was issued at the request of Attorney John Caughlin, representative of the Pension Union, who contended that the committee was interfering with the rights of free speech in violation of the constitution.

The writ came after Committee

Chairman Albert F. Canwell of Seattle boasted that he was bringing 50 witnesses to expose the pension movement as "red."

PICKETS WAITING

The first witness was described by Seattle newspapers as a mysterious "national" figure, who would do some very "important" talking at the hearings at the Field Artillery Armory.

Canwell's smearbound would have gotten a warm "reception" from Seattle building trade union members and other unionists as well as pensioners had Judge Meakin not prevented the show.

Many pickets were already waiting to demonstrate their hatred of the Un-American group.

The Canwell Committee had already disrupted the AFL Building Service Union by a vicious propaganda barrage.

Its attack against the Pension Union was intended to smash the movement for better Social Security law, which the Union and other people's bodies were putting before the voter through the facilities of the state's "initiative" machinery.

PENSION CUTTERS

Canwell and the six other members of the Un-American Committee were part of the reactionary majority in the Legislature that had cut pensions and other social security benefits.

The demonstration had been (Continued on Page 10)

Iraq Plays Hob With British Plans

By Michael Katanka

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Telepress).—Astonishment bordering upon panic has been the reaction at the Foreign Office here to the news that Iraq's Regent and political leaders have repudiated Iraq 20-year treaty of military alliance and twenty-year treaty of military alliance.

Foreign Minister Bevin's advisors are well aware that the repercussions of this step—inspired as it was by the pressure of Iraq's national independence movement—may bring down the whole card-castle of plan for similar treaties with other Arab States upon which they build their hopes of retaining

a nominally "non-imperialist" hold upon the Middle East.

The execution of these plans, as conceived, depended broadly upon three principles:

First, the elaboration of schemes for formal withdrawal from the countries of the Arab East.

Second, the replacement of physical occupation by a system of joint defense treaties (of which that with Iraq was a prototype) which would leave British "advisors" in key positions and ensure the return of British troops in any emergency.

Third, the maintenance in power of reactionary governments which could be relied upon to crush the democratic national movements and obey orders emanating directly from Whitehall or indirectly from the State Department.

IN IRAQ, the way had been prepared for the treaty by the recent arrests and severe sentences upon Communist leaders, the banning of Iraq Communist organizations and other democratic bodies and the closing down of the democratic press. But even these measures, apparently, were insufficient to destroy the effectiveness of the national movement.

Since the beginning of the negotiations, Baghdad and other centers have been the scene of great demonstrations against the treaty and these have now proved so powerful that Iraq's rulers dare not confirm such a patent sellout of the national interests as the treaty to which Premier Sayid Saloh Jabr had put his signature in London.

There is little doubt that these events in Iraq, when they become known throughout the Middle East, will have a profound effect on the national independence movements in Egypt, Syria and other countries.

known fact that the anti-treaty agitation had the support, not only of the Left, but of the powerful middle-class Independence Party (Istiqlal), with its big nationalist following, and the larger National Democratic Party which unites landowners with small industrialists and voices the opinions of Iraq's trade unionists.

The Prime Minister's statement is reported to have pleased Mr. Bevin, but it is very doubtful whether Saleh Jabr's ministerial colleagues in Iraq share his confidence that "explanations" will be sufficient to bring Iraq's opinion easily to heel. The Iraqi people have achieved the notable feat of securing the abrogation of a treaty concluded above their heads. In the Arab world, with its extensive experience of the effects of such treaties, this is a precedent not likely to be forgotten.

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Sherbell Raps Child Care Cut

State Senator Kenneth Sherbell (ALP-Bklyn) yesterday made public a letter to Mayor O'Dwyer urging him to immediately halt the threatened elimination of many children from the Child Care program next Sunday.

Sherbell also urged full support for the demonstration called by the Child Care Center Parents Association at 902 Broadway today (Monday) 11 a.m. to protest the impending curtailment of the child care program.

This is being done, the association charged, in spite of public assurances made to the contrary on Aug. 16 last by O'Dwyer, who promised to continue the Centers "as is" with or without state funds. As recently as Jan. 16, the association said, Welfare Commissioner Fielding promised that no family would be eliminated or suffer any hardship.

"The curtailment of the Child Care program," Sherbell said, "would mean that working mothers, many of whom are war widows and wives of veterans, would be forced on home relief. Many children whose parents would be compelled to continue working would be deprived of proper care and attention."



BERT KOPPERL, 30, former Army captain of Sherman Oaks, Cal., is shown in the wheelchair in which he traveled around the world. Kopperl, recovering from polio, took 400 photos with his camera mounted on the arm of his chair.

Austin Bill Hearings Start Tomorrow

Special to the Daily Worker

ALBANY, Feb. 1.—An Assembly committee is scheduled Tuesday to initiate action on one of the most dangerous witch-hunt measures now before the state legislature. The Judiciary Committee will meet to hear evidence on the Austin bill, making it necessary for any organization "which disseminates propaganda or attempts to influence public opinion" to file with the Secretary of State's office its constitution, by-laws, membership lists, officers, sources of money, accounts of all expenditures.

The bill, introduced by Assemblyman Bernard Austin, Brooklyn Democrat, would amend the famous Walker law of 1923, which was aimed at the Ku Klux Klan.

The Walker law required oath-bound organizations to file all this material. It required also that they file every resolution or minutes of any action dealing with legislation or candidates for public office; and that they place on any piece of literature or letter the names and addresses of all officers.

If the Austin bill should become law, all organizations attempting to influence public opinion would be technically subject to these requirements, including the Republican and Democratic parties, American Legion, Parent-Teachers Association, and a host of other organizations of every character.

In practice, however, the Austin

Mexican Notables Rap Detention of Eisler

A group of prominent Mexican leaders protested to President Truman against the detention of Gerhart Eisler, German anti-fascist fighter, in the United States.

Signing the message to Truman were Jose Mancisidor, writer; Alberto Bremaunts, judge of the Mexican Supreme Court, Emilio Abreu Gomez, writer; Prof. Gaudencio Peraza, member of the Mexican Congress; Dr. Enrique Arrequin, ex-Undersecretary of Education; Manuel Popoca, youth leader; Andres Henstrosa, writer; and Dario Vasconcelos, lawyer.

The Federation of Organizations for Aid to the Spanish Republic sent a similar message to Truman urging withdrawal of the charges against Eisler as a "valiant defender of the Spanish Republic."

It was signed by Prof. Jesus Lascano, general secretary.

Rail Union Seeks Negroes' Firing Despite Court Ban

By George Morris

Officials of the all-white Brotherhood of Enginemen and Firemen are not bowing to the recent Supreme Court decision but have advanced a new scheme under which Negro firemen on 21 Southern railroads would be fired wholesale fashion, the Daily Worker learned yesterday.

The scheme was revealed by John D. Marshall, of Savannah, Ga., president of the Southern Association of Colored Railway Trainmen and Firemen. He came to New York to confer with Archibald Bromsen attorney of the union fighting its many discrimination cases.

HITS EXAM REQUIREMENTS

Marshall, fireman for nearly 30 years, said the new gimmick that promises to be even more drastic in squeezing Negroes out of the industry than the agreement outlawed by the Supreme Court, was in the Brotherhood's new proposal to management. It proposes in place of the outlawed pact that firemen be "required" to take examinations for railroad engineers in order of seniority, when needed, but:

"Those who decline to take the examinations or fail to qualify for promotion shall be dismissed from the service."

The 1941 agreement with the Brotherhood outlawed by the high court limited Negro firemen to 50 percent of those in certain categories and held Negroes as "non-promotables" for engineer. The Brotherhood's refusal to admit Negroes forced many Negro railroad workers to form their own unions in the South.

"I doubt whether more than a handful of colored firemen would pass the examination when called," said Marshall.

He showed me a letter he had just received from his union's secretary who wrote he doubted "if there are five men who could pass the examination" on the Georgia Central Line.

LONG SENIORITY

Marshall then unfolded the familiar story of the South, a story that seldom counts in legal rulings. Most Negro firemen have long seniority and know their own work well, but have never been given the slightest chance to learn how to be engineers. The engineers are in the all-white Brotherhoods. Most have not had much chance to obtain schooling and would not pass the literacy standard required for engineer.

An engineer must know the rule book from A to Z. It generally runs into more than a 100 pages. He must know the parts of the engine. A Negro would have to be better than average to pass an examination because those who do the examining would hardly be liberal with him.

"A Negro just couldn't be an engineer in the South," he said. "He couldn't even if he passed."

"Why?" I inquired.

"He just wouldn't. The white people wouldn't let him. There'd be murder or something," he replied.

Marshall pictured hostility to the Negro engineer in stations along the route.

"You think the firemen don't want promotion?" I continued.

"They want to be engineers, alright," replied Marshall. "But this is a scheme to force them out even as firemen. Few of our men might pass it. But no one should be forced to take an examination. Most of our people want to be left alone to be firemen."

Marshall cited a number of examples in his own local. One man who had an education "up to the



Truman Gets the Ashes: A group of University of Oklahoma students at the post office in Norman, Okla., get ready to send President Truman a package containing the ashes of a copy of the 14th Amendment to the U. S. Constitution. The students are part of a group of 1,000 who met on the campus to protest the ban on Negro students at the university. They burned the 14th Amendment as a symbol of the destruction of the civil rights guaranteed Negroes under this section.

Mrs. Ada Sipuel Fisher, who was denied entrance in the university's law school, despite a Supreme Court decision, may learn today whether or not the high court will now act to enforce its decision against the university.

Army Discovers New Drug To Combat Scrub Typhus

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (UP).—The Army Medical Department today announced discovery of a new drug for combating scrub typhus. It said it "may mark one of the important landmarks in medical history."

Dr. J. E. Smadel, Army director of virus research, will fly to the Malay States early this spring to test the drug on plantation workers who have been dying by scores.

The drug is called chloromycetin. The Army said it is the only weapon thus far discovered that is highly effective against disease-causing organisms, such as typhus. The typhus is carried by mites or fleas which infest rats. When the

tenth grade might make it, he said. But others with long seniority and a great deal of experience would fail because they had little education in their youth.

"They'd just be forced off the job if their time came for an examination," added Marshall.

Negroes have been predominant on Southern lines since the first railroads appeared in America. Whites generally shunned the hard and dirty work of stoking coal engines. Since the advent of diesels the all-white Brotherhood jointly with the companies, have been pushing Negroes out. The 1941 agreement was invalidated when a Negro fireman Tom Tunstall, victimized by it, brought suit and won.

flea bites a human being it injects the virus into his blood stream.

The war forced abandonment of many big plantations in Malaya and heavy brush overgrew them. Big populations of infested rodents thrived in this brush. Workers sent to clear the plantations have suffered a heavy mortality rate, the Army said.

This typhus is related to the dread epidemic typhus. It is caused by a strange organism halfway between a bacteria and a filterable virus.

Experiments at the Army Medical Center and graduate school proved that chloromycetin was highly effective against these microorganisms as well as the epidemic typhus. But laboratory results do not always prove up in the field and the Army is withholding any flat claims for the medicine at present.

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VIRGIL—Qualified



By LEN KLEIS



Rules County Can't Fire Worker for Not Signing Loyalty Oath

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 28.—A lower court decision that refusal to sign a "loyalty oath" is not grounds for discharge of county workers was hailed here by the Civil Rights Congress and AFL and CIO unions.

Judge Frank G. Swain's ruling was greeted as a partial victory by the Congress and the AFL and CIO Public Workers which are leading a fight against a county "loyalty" check.

While Judge Swain held that membership in the 140 organizations proscribed in the loyalty affidavit is not grounds for discharge, he upheld the county government's

right to inquire into the personal beliefs and associations of its employees. The alleged purpose is to find out whether employees believe in the overthrow of the government by force.

Attorneys for the CRC and the unions announced they would challenge this section of the ruling

Greek Fascists Doom Unionist

The general secretary of the Greek Maritime Union, A. Ambatiellos, has been sentenced to death by an Athens court martial along with three other union officials, it has been reported from Athens.

The court martial decreed the death sentence on the grounds that the men had assisted in recruiting for the Democratic Army. No proof was offered.

The Greek Maritime Union in New York has sent protest telegrams to members of Congress, and President Truman. They have also wired Henry Wallace, the CIO and the AFL and trade union federations in South America, Australia, France, Britain, and Canada, urging action to save the lives of the union's officers.

A spokesman in Sen. Claude Pepper's office said that he had already taken the matter to the State Department, the GMU said.

Red-Baiter Kills Union Paper

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 1.—The Cleveland Union Leader, a CIO paper which once fought vigorously for the workers' interests, was scuttled here by Garland Ashcraft.

The paper, which had rapidly degenerated into a red-baiting sheet which ignored the problems of the workers under the editorship of Ashcraft, soon lost circulation. It urged disruption and refused to abide by the unity decision of the Cleveland CIO Council. The CIO Council unions then withdrew their endorsement of the paper.

Rightwingers, centering around an ACTU leadership, urged Ashcraft to continue his campaign of discord, but did not provide the paper with any new readers.

Ashcraft's resignation this week ended the paper. Ashcraft had prevented Ted Cox, former editor of the Union-Leader when it was a progressive paper from resuming the editorship when he returned from the armed services.



Cat-Aract for Europe: Answering the complaint in a London newspaper about the seriousness of the current rat plague in Europe, Robert L. Kendall, president of the American Feline Society has named his pet cat "Flash" to lead an army of 50,000 cats to the continent.

FBI Nixed Radio Man -- He Helped Elect F.D.R.

(Reprinted from late editions of The Worker)

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON.—The FBI made an unfavorable report on an application seeking a license to establish a radio broadcasting station because he "helped in Roosevelt's campaign,"

Clifford Durr, member of the Federal Communications Commission, recently told a House Appropriations subcommittee. Durr's testimony, made Jan. 15 before a closed session, was made public with the publication of the hearings on the Independent Offices Appropriations bill.

The FBI report on "Mr. X," as the applicant was designated by Durr, included "newspaper accounts of one of Sen. Bricker's speeches made in the 1944 campaign in which he said the Democratic Party has become the Hillman-Browder Communist Party with Roosevelt as its founder."

"Mr. X was mentioned as one who helped in Roosevelt's campaign," Durr said.

In another case, the FCC member said, the FBI reported that an applicant for a radio license "on one occasion made an address at a Phi Beta Kappa meeting on the subject of American-Soviet relations. This happened during the war, the report indicated, when Russia was our ally."

UNSOLICITED REPORT

The FBI reports came to the commission unsolicited, Durr said. An FBI official would say, "I see from the newspapers that such and such a group has applied for a radio station," Durr told the committee, and then would send over a report on members of the group.

When the Federal Communications Commission asked for more information or for the names of persons who made the charges, the FBI would invariably refuse, Durr said.

Rep. John Phillips (R-Cal) suggested the possibility that the commission had information that applicants for a radio station "have been supporters of Communist organizations."

In such a case, Durr replied, the commission should have made inquiries to "determine his attitude toward our institutions."

"I doubt," he added, "if we

could legally consider the organizations to which a member belongs, or his politics, unless we get to the point of showing that the individual advocates the overthrow of our government by unconstitutional means."

QUESTIONS COMPETENCE

Durr said Communists could not be denied the right to operate radio stations unless the record showed they advocated the overthrow of the government by force.

Later during the hearing, Rep. Phillips charged that Durr had no confidence in the FBI.

"When the FBI is engaged in an investigation of a violation of the law, I have no reason to lack confidence in it," Durr said. "When the FBI gets into the field of opinion I do greatly question its competence in that field."

The questioning of Durr came during appearance of officers of the Federal Communications Commission at a hearing on funds for the agency.

Rep. Richard Wigglesworth (R-Mass) recalled that in November, Durr had criticized the FBI in a speech before the National Association of Educational Broadcasters, "for sending information to the commission affecting the loyalty of persons connected with the work of the FCC."

A majority of the commission had voted to disassociate themselves from Durr's criticism and wrote the FBI to continue sending reports, Wigglesworth said.

Durr told the committee that in his speech he had contrasted the principles of the Constitution with the Hollywood investigation of the Un-American Committee.

"I said that, in my opinion, this

Congratulations to LEO and FLORRIE on their marriage CLUB 10, CP.

Machinists Aim Broadside at T-H Act

By Federated Press

"You work hard or maybe harder than you ever did. Yet every day it becomes tougher to spread your pay so it will buy enough groceries, pay rent and enable your family to keep healthy and live decently.

"Deep down inside of us, we have that scared feeling that things will be getting worse instead of better. We worry about the possibility of a depression and shiver at the thought of layoffs, breadlines and home relief. . . . We don't want to take any of this sort of stuff lying down. We want to do everything in our power to protect our families against poverty and depression. . . ."

With those words, Robert Schrank, president of the New York State Council of Machinists (unaffiliated) opens a potent pamphlet, **This Is Aimed At You**, making it clear that the only protection is a strong labor movement. Those who rammed through the Taft-Hartley Act and are now attacking the 40-hour week are out to bust the unions for the sake of their profits, he warns.

The unions missed their best bet to put the law "down the drainpipe with the rest of the sewage where it belonged" when they did not unanimously refuse to sign the optional affidavits required for use of the NLRB, he says.

"Do the framers of the Taft-Hartley plot really fear communism or socialism in our country? Of course not! They only fear the people in their efforts to make a better life for themselves—That's why any union official or member who puts up a real fight for higher wages and better working conditions will be considered 'red' by the NAM."

To beat back the Taft-Hartleyites, local unions must band together into United Labor Action Committees and raise funds to do a political and educational job at the grass roots level 365 days a year with the aim of defeating those in Congress who serve the NAM rather than the entire American people, Schrank concludes.

Copies of the pamphlet may be obtained from the New York State Council of Machinists, 241 East 84 St., New York 28, at 10 cents plus postage.

[The IAM nationally was the first union to comply with the non-Communist affidavits of the Taft-Hartley law.]

type of attack on men's beliefs was not the greatest danger; that I thought a greater danger lay in the confidential reports of the Military Intelligence agencies and the FBI, because those were never brought out into the light for public inspection and the accused had no way of knowing what they were accused of.

"I expressed the fear that the present concern with men's opinion would not stop with the movies, but would spread to radio and even to our schools and universities."

Durr is a native of Alabama and came to Washington in 1933 as a Roosevelt appointee to the Reconstruction Finance Corp. His term as a member of FCC will expire June 30, and it is considered unlikely that President Truman will reappoint him.

TWO WEEKS FROM TODAY

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Bucking the Cables Trust

By Bernard Burton

The picket-line chants and songs at 40 and 67 Broad St., in New York's financial district, echo in Manila, Mexico City, Sydney. The word has been passed through the world's communication lanes: "Watch for hot traffic coming from four U. S. companies."

The four companies have been struck since Jan. 2. One of them is Western Union cables division; the other three are units of another great monopoly, International Telephone and Telegraph, which runs Mackay Radio, Commercial Cables and All America Cables.

And jointly fighting these powerful firms are unions which make up in pluck and know-how what they lack in size and funds. They are the CIO American Communications Association

and the unaffiliated All America Cables Employees Association.

FIGHT FOR RIGHTS

The 2,600 strikers want wage raises. They want other improvements. But above all they mean to hold on to their right to be union men and women.

They're holding on the picket line in near-zero weather despite the attempt of IT&T to use the Taft-Hartley National Labor Relations Board against the strike. They're holding despite an "offer" by Western Union to settle—if the returned workers will agree to scab on those still on strike against the other companies.

The workers in Mexico, Australia, the Philippines have pledged their solidarity. "We will not handle hot traffic coming from the United States."

The landline employees of

Western Union, who send cable messages inland, have stayed away from hot copy even though more than 60 have now been suspended for this simple act of union brotherhood.

TRY TO STARVE WORKERS

All the stalling maneuvers of the companies have one thought behind them—starve 'em back. These are not unions with large treasures.

But they reckon without the unions in Manila, Mexico City, Sydney—without the unions here in New York. More than \$1,500 has come in from the United Electrical Workers, one of whose locals, Local 430, maintains the mobile kitchen. Another \$1,000 from the Transport Workers.

The elevator operators in the IT&T building at 67 Broad chipped in \$100. They belong to AFL Building Service Employees Local 32-B. The Furriers gave

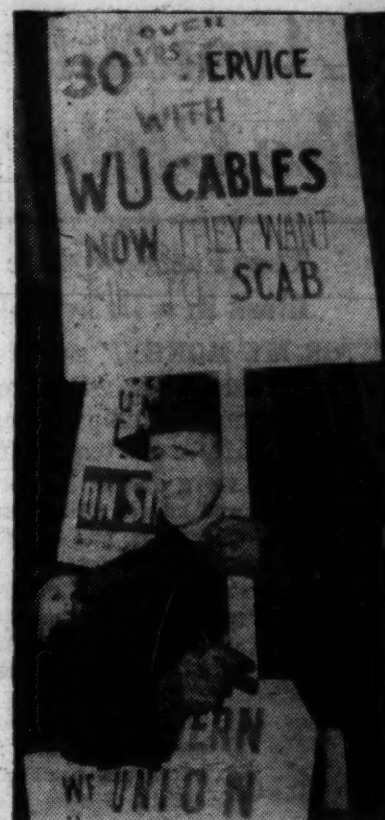
\$800; Brewery Workers, \$625. The New Jersey Farmers Union sent a truck loaded with food and then gave cash. National Maritime Union members, facing unemployment, gave \$500. Office workers pitch in every week; Local 65 and Department unions, the Shoe Workers and others have helped.

But it will take much more. Licking these companies means licking the use of the T-H law as a strikebreaking instrument.

It's your fight, brothers and sisters.

JOHN PIKE has worked for Western Union Cables Division since he was 18. Most Western Union strikers have service records of 25 years and longer.

Daily Worker Photos by Peter



STRIKER ANTHONY ITALIANO pours hot coffee for Mrs. Anna Douglas while Albert Brooker waits his turn. The mobile canteen is maintained by CIO United Electrical Workers Local 430.



PETER INGRASSIA, left, and Maurice DeLorenzo, Mackay strikers, make up parcels for strikers' families. Supplies have been donated by other unions and the New Jersey Farmers Union.

Ask Clean-up of City Apartments

Immediate action to correct unsanitary and dangerous conditions in dwellings here were called for yesterday in a statement by the Citizens' Housing Council.

The Council asked the New York City Rent Advisory Committee to permit it to study the testimony of

landlord groups asking for a 15 percent "hardship" rent boost.

The council which favors granting rent increases in "hardship" cases, asked that no such increases be given in buildings which have any substantial violations of the Building and Sanitary codes.

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NOTICE TO OUR READERS

The deadline for What's On and Classified Advertising for this edition will be Tuesday, Feb. 3rd at 8 p.m.

All orders for bundles of these issues must be in the Worker office no later than Wednesday, Feb. 4th.

What's On?

Tonight Manhattan

SONIA BADRON, one-man show, Feb. 2 to 14, Argent Galleries, 42 W. 57 St.

Tonight Brooklyn

BROWNSVILLE Women. Fight back with St. Gerson, Claudia Jones, Mrs. Cacchione. Entertainment, refreshments. Adm. 75c. Concord-Hoffman's Pitkin and Saratoga Ave. 8 p.m.

Coming

LOU DISKEN, State Youth Director G.P. "UMT, The Road to Peace or War?" 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, Village Forum, 430 Sixth Avenue.

Ex-Curator Charges City Neglects Schomburg Collection of Negro Art

By John Hudson Jones

City neglect of the Schomburg Collection of Negro literature and art has aroused many Harlem citizens, former curator Dr. L. D. Reddick said yesterday. Dr. Reddick resigned Jan. 14 and sharply criticized the city fathers for ignoring the Negro culture center housed at the 136 St. Library.

The curator, whose resignation becomes effective in April, said that since he exposed conditions, housewives, scholars, school children, newspapermen, and community leaders have visited the library to voice their indignation.

Dr. Reddick, appointed curator in 1939, charged that facilities for the care of priceless manuscripts, objects d'art, and other items were

lacking. He criticized library officials for lack of interest in the finest collection of its kind in the world, and for not providing among other things microfilms for the preservation of data from Negro newspapers. Added to this was an inadequate underpaid staff, Dr. Reddick declared.

CITY WASN'T "CONCERNED"

Dr. Reddick, who has been named librarian for Atlanta University, declared he had asked the city to place the collection in the library system to avoid its being "the child of the Circulation Department and

a foundling on the doors of departments not interested." But evidently Dr. Reddick hinted the city was not too concerned with a collection of Negro books and art.

The collection contains 12,000 books, 3,000 manuscripts, 2,000 etchings, and several thousand pamphlets. It was bought for the city in 1926 from Arthur A. Schomburg, a Puerto Rican who served as its curator until his death in 1938.

Library officials declare that "nothing can be done unless the city provides funds for the work Dr. Reddick declares necessary to maintain and add to the collection."

Seamen Shove Off for Capital

A delegation of more than 150 seamen will leave for Washington today to protest the transfer of 500 ships under the Marshall Plan, it was announced yesterday by Paul Palazzi, CIO National Maritime Union port agent.

The delegation, composed of members of four seafaring unions, will visit Washington officials tomorrow and will stage a protest picket line at the Senate Office Building. In addition to NMU, the delegation will include members of the CIO Marine Cooks and Stewards, the Independent Marine Fire-

men and CIO American Communication Association.

Prior to leaving the city spokesman for the delegation declared the transfer of the ships would entail a loss of 25,000 jobs in the industry.

The protest of the seamen is aimed not only against the ships' transfers, they said, but against "direct interference in the affairs of other countries" as is practiced under the Marshall Plan.

The delegation leaders called for adoption of the Wallace Plan, providing relief through the United Nations without political strings.

Around the Globe

By Joseph Starobin

The Facts of Life and Ideas in a Daily Column

"FOR MY MONEY," said a good friend the other night, "I'd like to see you talk in terms of human beings, and the facts of life—not too many abstract ideas." We were discussing problems of a daily column, and he was all against concepts and abstractions. Of course, you overstate that, too. Not every event can be described or debated in terms of personalities and I always bridle when I see the word "ideology" in quotation marks, in the typically American tradition of contempt for ideas.



Yet, in thinking about roubles and francs and dollar dollars, a particularly warm friend came to mind, whom all of us remember—Capt. Sergei Kournakoff. He used to be our Veteran Commander, and wrote some of our best copy during the war.

After two decades of wandering in Paris and New York, he's home in Moscow now. And it's a pleasure and an education to read his report of the Soviet currency reform in the February issue of Soviet Russia Today.

THEY CALL Dec. 16, 1947 Victory Day, says the captain—victory over inflation. "Last night my wife and I figured out that the food for which she had paid 139 roubles would have cost 334 roubles as late as Dec. 15," Kournakoff writes.

Prices came down simultaneously with an increase of production and the abolition of rationing. Excess money was squeezed out like pus from a boil—and it was done firmly and skillfully. A decree on Sunday, after careful preparation, and the whole thing went into effect by Tuesday.

As Prof. Vladimir Kazakevich analyzes it (in the same magazine) the savings of the masses were protected, the government debt decreased, and while other countries are entering the worst phase of their inflation, the Soviet Union emerges from it.

How different things are in France and our own country! According to the President's Economic Report, wage increases added almost four billion to the money income of American workers in 1947, but prices, increases wiped that all out, and the value of the dollar to the average consumer fell by 8 percent. The boom was maintained only by a withdrawal of savings of \$3.5 billion and the expansion of credit by almost the same amount—terrible danger signs.

IT'S EVEN worse in France. Looking over the figures in that valuable French Communist weekly, France Nouvelle, for Jan. 10, 1947, you see that prices doubled in 1947: bread went up from 12 francs a kilo to 24; wine from 20 to 48 francs a liter.

The workers got a wage increase, after bitter battles, to a minimum of 10,500 francs a month (which is under \$50 in the new franc rate) but it cost them a Taft-Hartley law and a trade union split. Then the Socialist-de Gaullist coalition proceeded to boost prices on all necessities about 40 percent, and has imposed very heavy taxes and forced loans on the middle classes and the farmers.

On top of that comes a devaluation, which is carried out in the most chaotic way. For example, all 5,000-franc notes are frozen, which would be like freezing tens and twenties in our country. But nobody knows what they will be worth, or what the exchange for new currency will be—and this involves 35 percent of all French currency!

ALL THIS is supposed to beat inflation and increase French production. But will it? Devaluing the franc gives French exporters a better chance in the world markets. But the enormous increases of costs to the smaller manufacturer means that only the big exporter can gain.

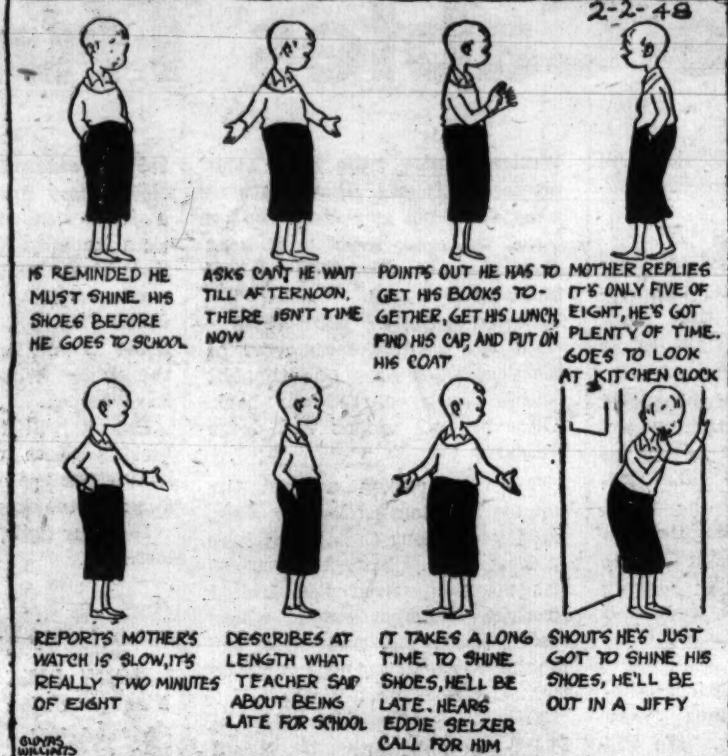
At the same time, this gimmick of a free market in gold has the effect of forcing all the other European countries to devalue their currencies, too—thus the export advantage is very temporary.

The dollar, however, will gain—the dollars in the hands of American Big Business. The reduction of tariffs—one of the conditions of the Marshall Plan—lays the internal French market open to American business and investors and the French will find they can't compete, even in their own home.

Soviet economy is unaffected by the dollar; its dollar-proof. France's economy is only hurtling toward disaster, which the masses pay for, and this is happening primarily because the French have been tied to the dollar, and the knots are being twisted tighter and tighter. The Marshall Plan not only makes us Americans pay through the nose, but it puts all peoples who go for it through the wringer.

NO TIME

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



Letters from Readers

Why One Vet Wants Wallace

Seattle, Wash.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Entering a small but busy shop recently, I joined a knot of people around a crippled veteran who was bitterly saying that he would have done better to come home dead—that at least the men "who died fighting for Uncle Sam didn't come home and make fools of themselves thinking they could settle down to family life, like so many of us did."

He went on: "First, I drew a stinking garage to live in, dark and wet." There his baby was born—and died of pneumonia. "Then I drew a trailer—bogged down in a swamp that stank sky-high." There his wife died of pneumonia.

One leg gone below the knee, one hand missing, he is badly crippled with rheumatism and on crutches. Living (he says "to help a little with their rent") with his brother, also a vet, his sister-in-law and three children, he occupies a very small room with the two boys. The other room takes care of all other persons and things.

There is one toilet for the entire floor, one tub—with cold water. No closets. One window in each room.

I asked, "What do you think can be done about it?" Several had turned away, looking grim, but turned back. He looked us all over.

"I'm voting for Henry Wallace, too," he said, stretching out his arm and pointing to my Wallace button. "If the blasted shebang lasts that long! Anyway, those who don't can fight their own World War III. Not me."

J. W. C.

The Balcony Satire

New York

Editor, Daily Worker:

Mrs. White and I wish to express our appreciation of "Point of Order's" treatment of Mr. Truman's adamant stand for the White House balcony in Jan. 25 Worker.

This seems to us to rank with the best of any presentations of truth in ironic form which Alan Max—or any other brilliant satirist—has given us.

REV. ELIOT WHITE.

Press Roundup

PM's high priest of politics, Max Lerner, evaluates Henry Wallace, continuing his rather long-winded arguments against a third party. Wallace, writes Lerner, "takes the teachings of Christianity seriously—on social justice, on racial discrimination, on peace—so seriously that he insists upon applying them. Obviously this makes him a dangerous man to the corporation presidents and the generals and the newspaper publishers. . . . But. . . to Negroes and Jews, workers and sharecropper—he has been a leader." Wallace's fight for peace, Lerner continues, has won to him the loyalty of all "who are weary of the war talk. . . ."

But—(always that "but.") Wallace "has allowed himself to become isolated from the main currents of the American labor movement, the farm organizations, the middle-of-the-road liberalism. . . ."

NEW YORK TIMES climbs up above the struggle and delivers an eulogy to Mahatma Gandhi. Mourning the late Indian leader, the Times hopes "there may be a growth of strength and wisdom in men who have lived in the shadow of his greatness. . . ."

THE HERALD TRIBUNE is quietly concerned about Palestine. Its editor blames the British and chides UN about the possibility of sending defense forces to Palestine backing up its partition decision. Completely slurring over U. S. wooing of Arabs and the effect of that wooing on American policy in UN, the Trib whines that UN's failure to act will result in "a tragedy in Palestine that will form an irreparable blow to UN's prestige. . . ."

THE DAILY NEWS gives private enterprise a prod on the petroleum shortage. The \$9 million synthetic oil production plan proposed by Secretary of the Interior, J. A. Krug, the News says, "should be handled by existing companies, we think, with perhaps some loans from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation." The News concludes: "It would be disastrous if we were caught short of petroleum by a war some day." The dear old News always for free enterprise and war.

THE MIRROR's Drew Pearson reports that "Democratic leaders wrung hands over conservative Republican, Tom McCabe replacing Eccles (as Federal Reserve Chairman): 'It makes Truman look like Taft. It wins no Republican votes and loses Democratic ones—to Wallace.'"

World of Labor

By George Morris

Where's the CIO's Latin Committee?

WHAT'S HAPPENED to the CIO's Committee on Latin American Affairs? Where is it? What's it doing? The outstanding labor leader of Cuba, Jesus Menendez of the Cuban Sugar Workers, is murdered in cold blood by native tools of American sugar corporations. But there is still not a peep out of the CIO or its Latin-American Committee.



What has happened to those eloquent pledges of solidarity that we so often heard at banquets in honor of labor dignitaries from lands to the south of us? When the CIO's Latin-American Affairs Committee was formed we were told that this was to be a new deal in relations with labor of Latin lands. This wasn't going to be that old AFL line of doing missionary work for American trusts.

Menendez was the outstanding leader of Cuba's basic union, just as Phil Murray is head of our major union. He was also one of the Communist deputies. Cubans thought enough of him to turn out in more than 50,000 for his funeral.

HERE'S the story behind the Menendez murder.

First, there is the military clique behind President Grau San Martin that would like to avoid an election next June on a claim that there is a state of emergency in the country. Grau, under Cuban law, cannot succeed himself. A military dictatorship would continue these tools of American sugar and tobacco interests in power.

Second, is the fact that months of effort to smash the Cuban unions, particularly Menendez' powerful organization, fell flat. The government-sponsored and AFL-supported outfit is a small ineffective group. In short, the effort to break the base of the peoples' democratic front in Cuba has failed.

But back of these reactionary efforts to turn one of the most democratic Latin-American countries into a dictatorship in the service of Wall Street interests, is the bitter story of Cuba's major product—sugar.

With American companies, which buy up the bulk of Cuba's sugar, cracking the whip, their tools, the mill operators of Cuba, forced a wage cut upon the sugar workers. They did this by eliminating an escalator clause of last year's agreements providing for an increase in wages to match the rise of cost-of-living items Cuba must import from the U. S.

PRESSURE by the labor movement upon Grau eventually forced the government to intervene and draw up a contract that was worse than last year's but better than the one the companies offered. When the sugar-grinding season began, the Sugar Workers' Union had no recourse but to launch an organizing drive to force the mill owners into line for the Grau contract.

Menendez and his union associates took to the fields. He had 12 mill owners in line for the contract by the time a captain of the Rural Guard shot him in cold blood.

The sugar companies, almost all of them American-controlled, were not satisfied with some \$125,000,000 profits—double 1946's. The substantial reduction of import tariffs giving them additional millions, was not enough. The murder of Menendez was incidental to their grab for more profits.

WHAT'S happening in Cuba is only a reflection of what the sugar interests are trying to do in Hawaii, where 25,000 workers refer to Harry Bridges as an 'Abraham Lincoln,' because his union organized them for the first time. The recent unsuccessful effort to develop a secession movement led by one Amos Ignacio may be just the first step towards methods in Hawaii, such as were followed in Cuba.

Our sugar interests object to unions in Cuba, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and in our Southern states. To the glory of Harry Bridges' union, it recently joined with unions of those areas for common action to defend the interests of sugar workers. That's a real union policy.

But from the CIO—not a word. Not even a denial of published stories that Murray frowned upon the united front that Bridges was involved in.

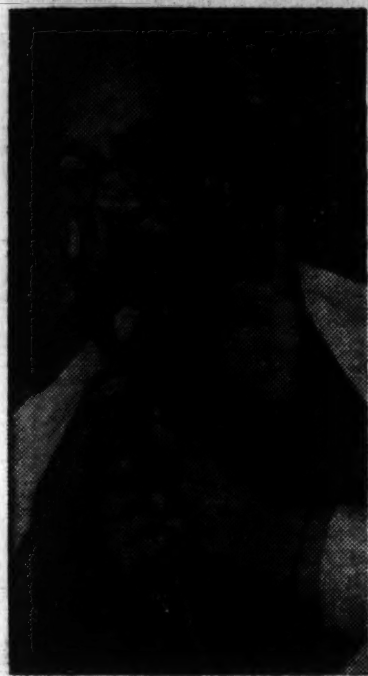
And the Latin-American CIO committee reposes somewhere, undisturbed by murder of such leaders like Menendez, outlawing of Brazil's labor movement or the establishment through AFL sponsorship of a phony federation of fifth-column stooges to fight the legitimate unions below the Rio Grande.

The Marshall Plan has certainly changed the eyesight of many people in top CIO circles.

Gandhi's Assassination

THE assassination of Mahatma Gandhi was the handiwork of a reactionary fanatic.

The motive for the assassination came from the reactionaries within the Indian Union who are now engaged in keeping India's political life boiling with deliberately fostered hatreds and divisions. It is no secret that British money and intrigue can be found behind the scenes of this continuous disruption. British imperialist policy has always thrived on such fostered divisions. Witness Palestine, which is now getting the "India" treatment.



GANDHI

Appealing for peace

As such, Gandhi helped to rouse an immense mass movement for Indian independence. Whatever he did to further this independence, the Indian Communists actively supported.

What he did to hinder that movement, either by mistaken counsels or by the inadequacies of his "non-resistance" philosophy, the Indian Communists naturally criticized and opposed.

Like many other bourgeois nationalist, Gandhi sometimes did not know which he feared most, the British overlords or the development of a mass revolutionary movement aiming for an India developing toward Socialism.

But there can be no denial of the fact that he symbolized a unified India to the Indian masses. His death therefore adds to the peril of the suicidal internecine Hindu-Moslem warfare which the reactionaries are fanning.

Whatever was enduring in Gandhi's effort to free India must now be defended by those who seek Indian unity. The democratic peoples everywhere will ardently hope for such unity.

Insults For Negro Women

IT IS a sign of the times that Negro women now are being singled out for persecution.

The callous FBI raid on the home of Claudia Jones, woman Communist leader, and the contemptuous refusal of Oklahoma's university and supreme court to grant educational rights to the Negro woman, Mrs. Fisher, are part of the same pattern.

Truman's political police want to deport Claudia Jones for the same reasons that the KKK-minded educators of Oklahoma's university are defying the decision of the U. S. Supreme Court which granted Mrs. Fisher equal educational rights.

In both cases, it is fear of the democratic demands of the Negro people. It stems from a desperate desire to defend the rotten Jimcrow system which costs the nation such a heavy price.

The guilt for these crimes and indignities heaped upon the Negro women of the land rests equally upon the Democratic and GOP big-money parties.

Truman's agents are behind the Claudia Jones arrest, just as his Democratic Party is behind the insolent treatment handed out to Mrs. Fisher in Oklahoma.

But what of the GOP reactionaries linked to the big corporations which control the industry of the South where they finance Jimcrow because it helps them beat down Negro and white labor alike?

What of the GOP Congress which systematically works with the Southern poll-taxers to block an anti-lynching law? What is the GOP Congress doing to give Mrs. Fisher her rights in Oklahoma?

The fight for Negro rights gave birth to a new party in the 1850's.

The same fight today has merged with the fight for the Third Party which will challenge the Truman-GOP line-up in November.

"GIMME, FIRST"



As We See It

Southern Negro Youth Want No Marshall Plan

By Abner W. Berry

YOU CAN'T put a gun in a young man's hand and make him believe it's a loaf of bread for hungry Europe. Out of the South comes proof of youth's political awareness. The Southern Negro Youth Congress, with headquarters in Birmingham, coordinating the

work of 43 branches and councils from Virginia to Texas, has broadcast its credo for this period of reactionary attack and liberal bumbling.

It thundered a "No, Thanks" to the Marshall Plan package of political food, military blackjacking backed by UMT and the A-Bomb, "voluntary" Big Business control of inflation, loyalty oaths and FBI "civil rights."

EARLY in January, the SNYC executive board met and issued a statement opposing UMT and deploring the "grip of the military bureaucracy (on the government) which has already won alarming beachheads in the conduct of our foreign affairs." Don't be fooled into supporting UMT, the SNYC warned Negro youth, by "timorous anti-discrimination amendments to a bill that is vicious in essence."



UMT is the "chosen instrument of those individuals and groups which seek to foster an aggressive war-inspired foreign policy in order to protect American corporate investments in Middle East oil, European industry and colonial raw materials." There was "ring" and feeling in the youth statement. Does youth want to be used in Greece, China, Panama, Indonesia, it asked? Did they want to act as "caretakers" for Dutch, French and British colonial rule?

The largest organization of Negro youth spoke well for the students, workers and farmers it represents. Negro youth showed much better foresight than many of its elders.

JUST LAST WEEK Walter White, NAACP secretary, went to Washington to testify for the Marshall Plan. He has spoken against universal military training, but is willing to accept the main part of the political package which makes UMT necessary. Unless Congress adopts the "European Recovery Program," he declared before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, we are in

danger of a germ and a-bomb war.

White asked naively, that colonies be given the right of self-determination under the Marshall Plan. "It would be utter folly," he told the committee, "for the United States to help white Europe to rehabilitate that part of the world and permit it continue to deny freedom and opportunity to colonial peoples." Let us be thankful that we have youth among us with better vision—and memory—than many of the older Negro leaders.

The Negro youth can remember that the very document presented to UN by the NAACP was ditched in the Human Rights Commission by the American delegates. The Negro youth remember that in the UN debates on how to enforce basic freedoms throughout the world, and especially in the colonies and the southern part of the United States, the American delegation united with the colonial powers to balk any action.

The Negro youth statement urged President Truman to recognize his own Committee on Civil Rights' report by abolishing Jimcrow in those areas of the government whose conduct is subject to his personal order. They note that no action has been taken thus far. They remember. They have ears and eyes. They have the broken promises of the past. They want a real future.

THE NAACP secretary stretches logic to the breaking point when he calls for the freedom of the colonies under the Marshall Plan. Best information for disillusionment on that score is to be had in Secretary Marshall's testimony. Far from talking about freeing colonies he has been pre-occupied with "stopping Russia and the Communists."

The colonies, did you say? O, yes, a gentleman by the name of Baruch mentioned them in his testimony. The President has told a press conference that he agrees with Baruch's position. Under the Marshall Plan he said America would "assure a market for all peoples for the next five years."

"Go out into your colonies and the far reaches of the world," he

urged the big businessmen of the world, "and tap their riches. Produce! You will be able to sell it all."

That is the theme of the Marshall Plan so far as the colonies are concerned. Exploit, exploit, exploit.

Walter White, just like the PM liberals and Max Lerner, is trying to write a Negro "liberation" version of the Marshall Plan.

The Negro youth are closer to earth. They are for colonial freedom and democracy at home. But they know they are going to have to fight for it. And experience teaches them that they must fight the very bankers and generals now hawking the European Recovery Program as a blueprint for freedom.

Nobody's going to spit in their faces and make them believe it's raining.



MRS. LUVINIA ALLEN shows how she picked up the paper bag containing \$64,000 in cash and other valuables which was thrown on her porch by a neighbor, Mrs. Luvina Allen. Questioned by police, Mrs. Albers said she didn't like to leave that much money around the house while she was out and knew she could trust her friend, Mrs. Allen.

Wallace

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that this conclusion is unwarranted.

"Any Communists who support the independent ticket will be supporting our program, not the Communist program. I am not a Communist or Socialist or Marxist of any description, but I find nothing criminal in the advocacy of different economic and social ideas, however much I may differ with them."

The pledge proposed by Wallace was:

"I shall not knowingly accept the support of any individual or group advocating the limitation of democratic action for any other individual or group; nor the support of any individual or group which would restrict the civil liberties of others for reasons of race, color or creed; nor the support of any individual or group advocating the violent overthrow of the government of the U. S."

Three groups of candidates could not take the pledge, Wallace said. He said they were candidates who support the Taft-Hartley Law; those who believe in "white supremacy"; and those who would limit the free flow of ideas in this country.

At a pre-rally press conference, he said "multitudes of Americans" are coerced into remaining silent on political issues. But he expressed confidence they would record their true sentiments at the polls.

"The people are so scared that they won't talk out," Wallace said. "They are afraid they will lose their jobs if they speak out between now and election time."

SEES BETTER CONGRESS

Wallace declared that he would not end his independent candidacy and rejoin Democratic Party ranks unless the Democratic organization becomes the "party of peace." He added that he would not run as the vice presidential candidate on a ticket headed by Mr. Truman.

When asked if he had surveyed his strength in the nation, Wallace said the effects of his candidacy will be "qualitative, not quantitative." He added that no matter what the outcome of his candidacy, it would be of very great value in preventing war.

Wallace predicted the election of a more progressive Congress this year and said it would not be a Republican Congress because he only knew "two or four progressive Republicans."

Wallace suggested that after the November election President Truman meet with Marshal Stalin to work for peace. He said a change of personnel was necessary toward this end because the present administration has carried its policy so far they cannot change it.

Wallace was enthusiastically received at the meeting and a total of \$26,000 was pledged to aid his campaign.

Special to the Daily Worker

BRUNSWICK, Ga., Feb. 1.—A Wallace-for-President Club was formed by Negro and white citizens with the announced intention of joining "a state and national people's political party."

It was on the outskirts of this town that took place several months ago the Georgia Prison Massacre, in which eight Negro convicts were murdered by their wardens. The conference, which met at the Negro Bollermakers Hall agreed unanimously to set up a permanent organization for a people's party.

A statement adopted at the meeting termed the people's party "the only means for smashing the colonial status of the South and the poverty, ignorance and racial strife it breeds."

Members of the executive com-

In Memoriam

In memory of HYMAN RAPPAPORT, February 2, 1948. Died fighting fascism.

—Esther and Arch

IN LOVING memory of our friend SASHA MARCHOWSKY.

Bea and Saul.

500 Paratroopers To Make Mass Jump

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (UP).—Five hundred paratroopers will make a mass jump from 18 C-52 "flying boxcar" transports tomorrow at Pine Camp, N.Y., the Army announced today.

It will mark the opening phase of "exercise snowdrop," a cold-weather maneuver of troops of the 505th airborne battalion combat team.

Committee elected at the meeting Mrs. Elsie Knight, housewife; Mrs. Annie Morris, housewife; Mrs. T. Knight, housewife; Mrs. Thelma Battle, housewife; Rev. Archer Torrey, Episcopal minister and Georgia field representative of the Peoples' Institute of Applied Religion; Bose Knight, seafood merchant; Guy Fraser, electrician; M. H. Smith, plumber; William Stevens, electrician; Thomas Knight, radio technician; Rev. A. L. Mattox, Baptist minister, founder, Mattox Mission, Brunswick, and Willie Moore, contractor.

Also elected as press committee were Bert D. Gilden, writer, and B. M. Edwards, merchant.

Eastern Farm Union Backs Wallace

TRENTON, Feb. 1.—The Eastern Division of the National Farmers Union has thrown its support to the candidacy of Henry A. Wallace.

An enthusiastic convention yesterday gave Wallace a unanimous endorsement. Some 75 delegates attended, representing 1,000 farm families in New Jersey and Eastern Pennsylvania.

National President James Patton, in his address to the gathering, called for administration of all aid to Europe through the UN and demanded that none of it be used for military purposes. He condemned Soviet-baiting and domestic witch hunts.

In a foreign policy resolution, the convention expressed its opposition to the Marshall Plan.

Aubrey Williams, former Rural Electrification Administrator and publisher of the powerful Southern Farmer, also addressed the convention.

The delegates voted to demand a return of price control, allocation of grains for feed, an end to food speculation and a farm subsidy program.

The oil shortage is threatening to shut off electric powers on the farms, the convention declared.

CIO on Prices

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controls suffers from the division, and prices continue to soar.

Russell Nixon, Washington representative of the CIO United Electrical Workers, testifying last week before a Senate subcommittee on price controls, assailed the administration and Congress for the do-nothing price policy. The UE leader compared the Federal Reserve index of manufacturing production for June 1946 and October 1947 with the Bureau of Labor Statistics index of factory payrolls.

Nixon showed that while wages rose only 3 percent in that period manufacturers' prices went up 41 percent.

The 1947 increase of 55 cents per ton of coal to the miner, he testified, was pyramided into coal price boost of 95 cents to more than \$2.50 a ton. The steel industry followed with a boost of \$5 to \$10 on finished steel products and the automobile manufacturers raised prices \$75 to \$100 per car.

The public was given the impression, Nixon declared, "that this little increase in miners' wages was responsible for a \$100 increase in auto prices."

The Taylor Bill, Nixon told the committee, is the only bill before the Senate which fulfills the needs of the people.

With prices at an all-time high and industry profits topping all records the need for immediate and forthright CIO support for the Taylor Bill is obvious.

Smuggling Jews Into Zion

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The ship was as steady as a row-boat in Central Park.

The bosun, a Brownsville boy, insisted on playing Yiddish records for the passengers. But they didn't seem to appreciate them as much as he had hoped. The records were mainly some variation of "Buy at Barney's" with many American idioms that the passengers could not fathom.

One favorite was the Russian record "Domny Noche," whose sad beauty struck a special note.

Paul Robeson's records were favorites. These people from all corners of Europe knew of Robeson and many recognized his voice immediately.

Another favorite was Burl Ives. The soft, rich effect of his voice and guitar were especially liked on hot nights as people tried to sleep in the hot stifling ship's holds.

SEE PALESTINE

The British destroyer was reinforced with two more as we reached 100 miles off the coast of Palestine.

Below decks the struggle against dirt went on. Orphan babies, two, three years old were washed in sailor's buckets by volunteer mothers.

The women swept and re-swept the little area around them. Some people stayed in their bunks and hadn't seen the sky since our departure. New excitement took hold of the people as we approached Eretz Yisroel. We prepared for the run to the coast. Land was a dim line on the horizon. Mount Carmel was our first sight of the Eretz. The people on deck strained their eyes to catch a glimpse of the land. They shouted excitedly to their neighbors, pointing out the spot.

By order of the Haganah, the sailors started clearing up all surplus material. Compass and clocks, navigating instruments, charts, everything went over the side so that the British would not be able to capture any loot.

The three British destroyers were reinforced by two more: five big destroyers for one ancient ship

filled with old people and children. From the Haganah in Palestine we had received orders not to resist the British. The reason was that the British had been building up a tremendous provocation, saying that we were heavily armed. Thus they were prepared to alibi any bloodshed they might commit. Since we had old people and very young children on board, the Haganah decided that resistance would be too costly.

Our ship's radio operator broadcasted the songs of the young people to the shore, and we heard later how the Haganah had rigged up loudspeakers on the streets of the cities and the reception had been fine.

When we were five miles off the Palestine coast, well outside Palestinian territorial waters, a destroyer came alongside.

The commander's speech was as follows:

"You are now in territorial waters. You are breaking the law. Any resistance will mean the blood will be on your heads."

LISTEN GRIMLY

The people listened grimly. Not knowing English, they nevertheless understood what was being said. As the destroyer pulled away, two destroyers came charging down on us, one on each side. Each one had a platform built on its deck, the level of our bridge. On the platform we could see the attacking party, helmeted, with tommy-guns, gas-masks.

The destroyers hit us simultaneously, one on each side. Driving into our sides they ripped gaping holes. The old ship shuddered with the impact, leaning way over. Not a person made a sound. The boarding party leaped onto our bridge, wantonly beating the people in front of them with short heavy clubs. A spray of tear gas was shot onto our decks. Old and young coughed, choked and cried, their lungs fighting for air. And so the British captured us.



Named on new list of commodity speculators released in Washington by Agriculture Secretary Anderson was James Bruce, Ambassador to Argentina.

Witch-Hunters

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called by the Pension Union's state board as part of a "counter-offensive."

"The Canwell Committee," said the board's resolution, "is pursuing the same general discreditable tactics as its infamous counter-part, the Un-American Thomas Committee, branding as subversive all liberal and forward looking movements of the people."

"Who is it that has really subverted and destroyed the American way of life for our 100,000 senior citizens [pensioners] and other useful social security recipients?" asked the Pension Union.

"It was the majority bloc of legislators . . . of which all the members of the Canwell Committee are members."

The demonstration calls were sounded through the columns of the New World, Seattle's fighting labor paper. The Civil Rights Congress of 205 E. 42 St. cooperated closely with the Pension Union in its legal fight.

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WNYC—At Your Command
WQXR—News; Alma Dettinger

11:15-WNBC—Katie's Daughter
WOR—Tello-Test

11:30-WNBC—Jack Berch
WOR—Heart's Desire
WJZ—Galen Drake
WQXR—Grand Slam
WNYC—BBC Newsreel
WQXR—Music for Horn

11:45-WNBC—Lora Lawton
WJZ—Ted Malone
WQXR—Rosemary
WQXR—Tom Scott

AFTERNOON

12:00-WNBC—Rad Hall
WOR—Kate Smith
WJZ—Welcome Travelers
WQXR—Wendy Warren
WNYC—Midday Symphony
WQXR—News; Luncheon Concert

12:15-WNBC—Metropolitan News
WQXR—Aunt Jenny

12:30-WNBC—Brookshire
WOR—News; Answer Man
WJZ—News; Nancy Craig
WQXR—Helen Trent

12:45-WNBC—Our Gal Sunday
1:00-WNBC—Mary Margaret McBride
WOR—Luncheon at Sardi's
WJZ—H. R. Baukhage
WQXR—Big Sister
WNYC—String Music
WQXR—News; Midday Symphony

1:15-WJZ—Nancy Craig
WQXR—Ma Perkins

1:30-WOR—John Gambling
WJZ—Patt Barnes
WQXR—Dr. Malone

1:45-WNBC—Will Clayton
WOR—Victor H. Lindiahr—Talk
WQXR—The Guiding Light—Sketch

2:00-WNBC—Today's Children
WOR—Queen for a Day
WNYC—Weather; City News
WQXR—News; Program Favorites
WJZ—Maggi McNellis
WQXR—Second Mrs. Burton

2:10-WNYC—Spotlight Varieties
2:15-WNBC—Woman in White
WQXR—Perry Mason
WQXR—Program Favorites

2:30-WNBC—Holly Sloan
WOR—Martin Block
WJZ—Bride and Groom
WQXR—Look Your Best
WNYC—Symphonic Matinee
WQXR—Curtain at 2:30

2:40-WNBC—Betty Crocker
2:45-WNBC—Light of the World
WQXR—Rose of My Dreams
WQXR—Musical Memory Game

3:00-WNBC—Life Can Be Beautiful
WOR—Movie Matinee
WJZ—Ladies Be Seated
WQXR—Dou ble or Nothing
WQXR—News; Recent Releases

3:15-WNBC—Ma Perkins
3:30-WNBC—Pepper Young
WOR—Song of the Stranger
WJZ—Paul Whiteman
WQXR—Art Linkletter
WNYC—United Nations

3:45-WNBC—Right to Happiness
WOR—Daily Dilemmas

4:00-WNBC—Backstage Wife
WOR—Barbara Welles
WQXR—Hint Hunt
WQXR—News; Symphonic Matinee

4:15-WNBC—Stella Dallas
4:25-WNBC—News Reports

4:30-WNBC—Lorenzo Jones
WOR—Ladies' Man
WJZ—Treasury Band
WQXR—Galen Drake

4:45-WNBC—Young Widder Brown
5:00-WNBC—When a Girl Marries
WOR—Hop Harrigan
WJZ—Dick Tracy

WQXR—School of the Air
WNYC—Disk Date
WQXR—News; Today in Music

5:15-WNBC—Fortia Faces Life
WOR—Superman
WJZ—Terry and Pirates
WQXR—Stan Freeman, Piano

5:30-WNBC—Just Plain Bill
WOR—Captain Midnight
WJZ—Jack Armstrong
WQXR—Winner Take All
WQXR—Cocktail Time

5:45-WNBC—Front Page Farrell
WOR—Tom Mix

EVENING

6:00-WNBC—Kenneth Banghart
WOR—Lyle Van
WJZ—Joe Hassel
WQXR—Eric Sevareid
WNYC—Music by Young People
WQXR—News; Music to Remember

6:15-WNBC—Bill Stern
WOR—On the Century
WJZ—Ethel and Albert
WQXR—In My Opinion

6:30-WNBC—Milton Shrednik
WOR—Fred Vandevanter
WJZ—Allen Prescott
WQXR—Lum 'n' Abner
WNYC—Treasury Guest Star
WQXR—Dinner Concert

6:45-WNBC—Three Star Extra
WOR—Stan Lomax
WQXR—Lowell Thomas
WNYC—UN Summary

7:00-WNBC—Supper Club
WOR—Fulton Lewis Jr.
WJZ—Headline Edition
WQXR—Beulah
WNYC—Masterwork Hour
WQXR—News; Concert Stage

7:15-WNBC—News of the World
WOR—Answer Man
WJZ—Elmer Davis
WQXR—Jack Smith

7:30-WNBC—Patterns in Melody
WOR—Henry J. Taylor
WJZ—Lone Ranger
WQXR—Club 15

7:45-WNBC—Jacques Fray
WOR—H. V. Kaltenborn
WQXR—Bill Brandt
WQXR—Edward R. Murrow

8:00-WNBC—Cavalcade of America
WOR—The Falcon
WJZ—Point Sublime
WQXR—Inner Sanctum
WNYC—Velvet and Gold
WQXR—News; Symphony Hall

8:30-WNBC—Eleanor Steber
WOR—Charlie Chan
WJZ—Opie Cates
WQXR—Arthur Godfrey

8:45-WNBC—Bert Andrews
8:55-WNBC—Bill Henry
WOR—Billy Rose
WQXR—Set Svanholm
WQXR—Gabriel Heatter
WJZ—On Stage America
WQXR—News; Concert Hall
WQXR—Radio Theatre

9:15-WNBC—Poems—A. L. Alexander
WNYC—Ira Standlin
3:30-WNBC—Dr. I. Q.
WOR—Quiet Please
WJZ—Sammy Kaye
WQXR—Design in Harmony

9:45-WNYC—News Reports
WQXR—Great Names
10:00-WNBC—Buddy Clark
WOR—Radio-Telephone Game
WQXR—My Friend Irma
WQXR—News; Opera Preview
WJZ—This Is Adventure

10:30-WNBC—Fred Waring
WOR—Symphonette
WJZ—Earl Godwin
WQXR—Screen Guild Players
WQXR—Showcase

10:45-WJZ—Rep. R. M. Nixon
11:00-WNBC, WOR—News; Music
WJZ, WQXR—News; Music
WQXR—News; Symphony Hour

11:15-WNBC—Robert Q. Lewis
11:30-WNBC—Galen Drake Show
12:00-WNBC, WJZ—News; Music
WQXR—News Reports

Life of the Party

A Year in Which Women Should Use Their Votes Effectively

By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn

THIS IS to remind all Party clubs and sections that International Women's Day is March 8, less than six weeks away. This year we should do something very special about it, because it is the 40th anniversary of the first demonstration on the East Side of New York. This year is also the 100th anniversary of the first Women's Equal Rights Conference of Seneca Falls, N. Y.

It is a year of destiny for all the American people, when we women must effectively use the vote, which our forerunners fought so gallantly to secure, to protect ourselves and the world from American imperialism, to guarantee peace and security for children everywhere.

On Rutgers and Tompkins Squares not far from where I write immigrant mothers and overworked toilers poured forth from nearby tenements and sweatshops that spring day. Poorly dressed with shawls and kerchiefs over their heads they enthusiastically cheered the "Votes for Women" demand voiced by speakers in various languages. To them "democracy" seemed very strange in the New World where they automatically became citizens when their husbands did, on the ancient theory that man and wife are one. He got the one vote. The men at the next sewing machine in the shop could vote, while they as women were denied the right.

SOCIALIST WOMEN began agitating about this from 1904 on. By 1908 outdoor mass demonstrations were held. The needle workers were just beginning to organize. Militancy among women was in the air. The next year a general strike of 20,000 workers

occurred in the shirtwaist industry. Eighty percent of them were women and young girls. They picketed daily, were beaten, arrested, fined and jailed. In 1910 the cloakmakers, over 50,000 strong, walked out. Wages were \$14 to \$18 a week and less, even in the busy season, when they were working 14 to 16 hours. These great struggles built the ILGWU.

Other groups of women were demanding suffrage, on issues of taxes, property rights, etc. But the working women demanded political power to help remedy their living and working conditions, to abolish sweatshops, child labor, long hours, and to establish minimum wages. Socialist women were not too welcome in uptown organizations, where wealthy women dominated as leaders. Redbaiting existed then too. In *The Case for Women's Suffrage* published in 1913 by the National College Equal Suffrage League, appears this comment on an article by Clara Zetkin: "But the support of Socialism is still, at least in this country, no asset to the cause of suffrage." Six years later in 1917, women became equal citizens in the Soviet republic while we American did not get the vote until 1920.

THE CLARION call of these East Side women resounds down the years and around the world. At the International Socialist Congress at Copenhagen in 1910, Clara Zetkin's proposal to make the American day international, was accepted unanimously. Among the delegates were Lenin, leading the Russian delegation; Alexandra Kollontai, later Soviet Ambassador to Mexico and Sweden; Rosa Luxembourg and Karl Liebknecht from Germany,

who were murdered by reactionaries in 1919; and William D. (Big Bill) Haywood, leader of the Western miners from the U. S. A. Marx, Engels, Bebel and Lenin exposed the special oppression of women under capitalism. In our lifetime we have had the joy of witnessing the profound changes that are possible for women under Socialism and the new type of womanhood it develops, of which the Soviet Union and its wonderful women, are the examples.

I have a special request to make of our readers. (Freiheit please copy.) If there are any women who read this, or if you know of any, who participated in the first International Women's Day in 1908, please send me the information. We would welcome accounts of what they remember of this historic event. We want to interview them and honor them on the occasion of the 40th anniversary. If they are out of town, please write just the same. New York comrades, ask your mothers and grandmothers. Send names and addresses right away.

Kitchen Kues

CHICKEN STEW
A LA MEXICAN

¾ Pound fowl, cut up
¾ Cup fat (rendered chicken fat)
1 Onion sliced
1 Green pepper, sliced
1 Clove garlic
1 No. 2½ can tomatoes
1 Cup raw rice, brown or white

Brown chicken in hot chicken fat. Remove. Cook onion and green pepper in fat until tender. Replace chicken, add salt and pepper to taste. Add tomatoes and garlic. Cook until chicken is tender. Add rice and cook until rice is soft. Remove garlic and serve.

FOOD TIP

To make cracker crumbs on cereal crumbs, place crackers on a sheet of paper and zip the rolling pin over them a few times. Then pick up the opposite ends of the paper to form a funnel for pouring crumbs into your measuring cup or bowl.

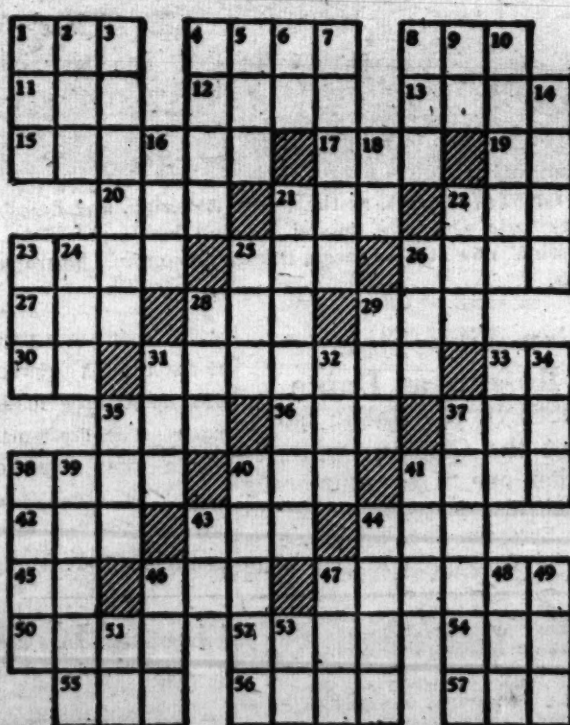
Crossword Puzzle

HORIZONTAL

1-To taste
4-Baby's bed
8-Encore!
11-To be wrong
12-To sharpen
13-Powder used on the Bosphorus
17-To place
19-Note of scale
20-Silent
21-Period
22-Distant
23-Entreaty
25-To mend
26-Three-masted vessel
27-Melody
28-Tennis score
29-Grass cured for fodder
30-Archaeic pronoun
31-Egyptian ruler
33-Colloquial: father
35-Month
36-Malt beverage
37-Resident of a convent
38-Musical instrument
40-Part of a play
41-Engrossed
42-Carpet
43-Toward the stern
44-To leap on one foot
45-Siberian river
46-Dexterity
47-Label
50-Conspiracy
52-Wicked
54-Yellow bugle
55-Before
56-Frosty
57-Snare

VERTICAL

1-Dry, as wine
2-Man's name
3-Textbook
4-Friend
5-Fish eggs
6-Nook
7-Under
8-Inlet
9-Pronoun
10-Pertaining to the sun
14-Target
16-In so far as
18-By
21-To withdraw
22-Kill
23-To remunerate



Answer to Friday's Puzzle

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Richard Brooks' 'Boiling Point'
Eyes a Southwest Town

By Robert Friedman

THE BOILING POINT, Richard Brooks' second novel, is sizzling melodrama. Its characters are crisply drawn, its action continuous, its tempo staccato. And that's more

THE BOILING POINT, by Richard Brooks. Harper. New York. 312 pp. \$2.75.

or less what might be expected from the author of *Brick Foxhole*, on which the film *Crossfire* was based.

With the afore-mentioned ingredients then, *The Boiling Point* is thoroughly readable. It tells the story of a war hero, returned to his Southwestern home town. Roy Nielsen is tough, out for himself. He's being gracefully bought by the local political machine to support its Congressman for re-election by way of sizeable weekly checks from the hometown paper which is running the story of the hero's life.

But Nielsen doesn't know he's being bought and doesn't reach the 'boiling point' until the lynching of his anti-machine friend Ramsey and the scorn of his sweetheart bring him to support the candidate bucking the machine. The frame-up of Nielsen for the murder of his pal, the presence of two "outsider" union organizers and a climactic gun battle with a Ku Kluxish "veterans" outfit add some extra fillips to the plot.

As can readily be seen, this is strictly for Hollywood. Now there is nothing wrong, as Brooks' own *Brick Foxhole* proved, in writing a novel that will make a good movie. But there is a decided deficiency in a novel so photographic, with characters so sketchily outlined, that it might almost serve as the scenario itself.

And the author has scattered throughout *The Boiling Point* enough examples of superb writing to point up the technical weaknesses of the rest of the book.

Hollywood, of course, will have to launder the assorted scenes of nymphomania, lynching and just plain s-e-x which threaten at times to swamp the book.

MORE IMPORTANT, Brooks has seemingly taken a perverse delight in "proving" that individuals are not machines pre-ordained to behave their economic and social status dictates. That is true, of course, in the sense that there are exceptions who break away from the motivations and conventions of their class.

But in *The Boiling Point* Brooks belabors the point that it is his sheriff who is decent and abhors lynch mobs; that it is the poor who make up lynch mobs, not the rich (who only incite them); that his prosperous merchant has no influence on the town newspaper; that his progressive candidate is the son of the state political boss, etc., etc.

All of these perfectly possible exceptions brought together make for a vast unbelief. So that the reader of *Boiling Point* is in much the same state of mind as when he witnesses a Western movie. Watching the film he's happy that the lone cowboy has licked the gang of bankers (or rustlers). Reading the novel he's moved by the growth of Roy and Marge as they take their place in the vague and amorphous struggle against the machine.

But in both cases there's a feeling that this is not life as it really is we're watching.

Needlecraft Encyclopedia A Treasure of its Kind

By Toni Michaelis

THE Good Housekeeping Needlecraft Encyclopedia, edited by Alice Carroll who directs that woman's magazine's "needlework room" is a treasure of its kind. Any

THE GOOD HOUSEKEEPING NEEDLECRAFT ENCYCLOPEDIA. Rinehart. New York. Edited by Alice Carroll. 479 pp. \$3.75.

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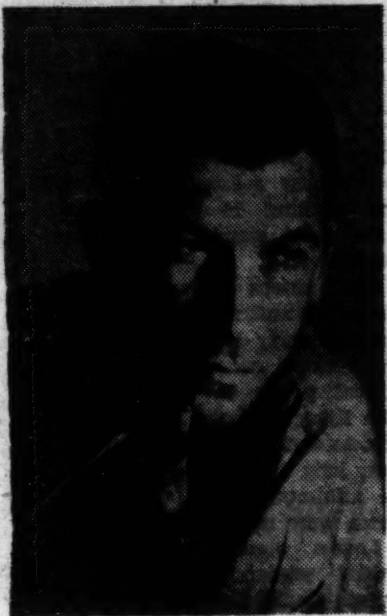
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Hollywood:

Big Rise In Pix With Nineteenth Century Plots

By David Platt

ALMOST every other film being made these days in Hollywood has an 18th or 19th century American background. Anything to get away from the 20th and 'those reds' . . . The favorite period seems to be 1880. At least 25 films related to this particular year are in preparation or production at this moment. They include such "A" films as *Albuquerque*, *Gunfighters*, *Stations West*, *Vigilantes*, *Return*, *Whispering Smith*, *Roughshod*, *Silver River*, *Tenderfoot*, *Last of the Badmen*, *Wyoming*, *Up In Central Park*, *Green Grass of Wyoming*. This last one, incidentally, will have its world premiere in Lancaster, Ohio, where a third of the movie was shot. None of it was made in Wyoming. Don't ask why . . .

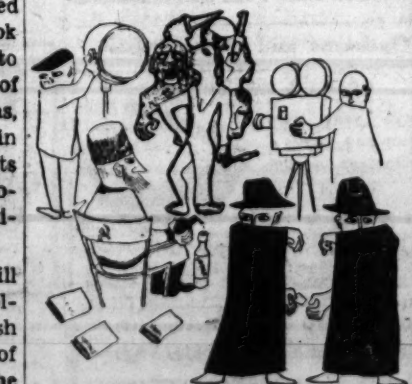
FLASHES AND CLOSEUPS . . .

Vincent Price is planning a series of "shorts" explaining the stories behind famous works of art. First one is *The Night Watch*, by Rembrandt . . . Jimmy Durante will play a college professor in MGM's new musical, *Exchange Student*, appearing opposite Carmen Miranda, a Brazilian college student . . . Groucho Marx is mentioned as one of the best guitarists in the country, as well as an expert piano, mandolin and harp player in the new issue of *Motion Picture Almanac*. Groucho, who doesn't know one note from another, submitted this to the *Almanac* himself as a gag . . .

ALARMS AND EXCURSIONS . . .

Several years ago, *Screen Romances* reveals in its current issue, "when guests came to Cecil DeMille's ranch he outfitted them with Russian (that word again!) smocks . . . Bruce Cabot and the Maharajah of Cooch Bahar (?) are inseparable pals. Cooch Bahar is not the national soft drink of O'Malley's Sylvania . . . Adolph Menjou is said to be down to his last sixty-one suits . . . Mae West has gone in for spiritualism . . . Comedian Frank Morgan is doing a series of articles on yachting for the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*. He's their movie expert, too . . . Bette Davis will do a soft-shoe dance in *June Bride* . . . Rita Hayworth got her start in Charlie Chan pictures . . . Dan Dailey, singing and dancing star of *Mother Wore Tights*, portrayed Nazi villains for MGM during the war . . .

NEWS OF NOTE . . . Chaplin's *The Kid* (1921) will be shown at the Museum of Modern Art Feb. 23-29 . . . A French version of Dostoevsky's *The Idiot* opens Wednesday at the Golden Theatre . . . Sweden has permanently barred MGM's 1940 anti-Soviet film *Comrade X* . . . Arpl Productions, an independent



group on the coast, will film Sofia, "a Balkan yarn" in Mexico City this Spring. Another Thomas Committee film? . . . Republic Studios shooting Theodore Strauss' novel *Moonrise* with Ethel Barrymore, Rex Ingram and Dane Clark. Strauss once did film reviewing for the N. Y. Times . . . To the growing list of fairy tales in production add *Hansel and Gretel*, a Bel-Air independent project . . .

Today's Film:

Poorly Made Film On Anti-Semitism

By Herb Tank

SOMETIMES you want a film to turn out to be really good. You even excuse its early faults hoping that it will pick up as it goes along. When it doesn't, you feel pretty bad.

That's the way it was with *Open Secret*, the film that arrived at the Gotham Saturday.

Open Secret is about anti-Semitism. In a very clumsy, stumbling way it says that anti-Semitism is bad. And that's the best that can be said for the film.

AS I SAT watching it I wondered how a film as poor as this one, on a theme so important, happened to

OPEN SECRET: Eagle Lion film release; screenplay by Henry Blankfort and Max Wilk; produced by Frank Satenstein; directed by John Reinhardt; with John Ireland, Jane Randolph, Roman Bohnen, Sheldon Leonard, George Tyne and Morgan Parley. At the Gotham.

be made. I got an awful feeling that a couple of wise boys with a yen for a quick buck were sitting around checking Variety for film ideas when one said: "I see where *Crossfire* and *Gentleman's Agreement* are cleaning up. What d'ya say we make a quickie about this stuff, too?" And the other said: "Okay. Give it a budget of a little over a hundred thousand and we'll call it controversial."

Anyway that's the way it looked from where I was sitting.

THE FILM'S POOR ART and craftsmanship begins with the script itself. The writers tell a story about a vet who gets in with some "hate crowd" with the idea of exposing them. He takes photos and they murder him. An old army buddy of the murdered vet "decides to get the guys who did it." He gets 'em.

The script has its setting in an unidentified locale. On the screen it looks exactly like the place it actually is: the back lot of a movie studio. The characters are as vague as the unidentified locale. Who they are, what they are, where they came from, and where they're going, nobody knows.

The villains in the piece are the same movie-type villains who have been written into dozens of earlier B pictures. This time the writers give them a few lines to say about Jews and furriers. What sort of a "hate group" they are no one knows, including I'm sure, the guys who wrote the script.

ALTHOUGH OPEN SECRET deals with the contemporary fact of anti-Semitism the picture is a long, long way from contemporary reality. In it, American fascism is represented by a handful of goons who go around muttering "Hitler was right." This kind of comic book mentality characterizes the entire film. After all it wasn't exactly a couple of goons in the backroom of a ginmill who dreamed up the Taft-Hartley Act. And it wasn't a handful of poolroom punks who conducted the Hollywood investigation. A film on a social theme demands social truth. Anything short of that becomes dangerous nonsense.

The direction and camera work in *Open Secret* bear the shoddy trade mark of a quickie. The whole thing was obviously shot inside studio walls against the background of flimsy sets.



GRETA GONDA, as the Prima Ballerina, and Camillo Pilotto, the impresario who gave Rossini his first break, shown in a scene from "Rossini," now at the Cinema Dante. The musical biography has English titles.

Italian Film Story Of Rossini at Dante

ROSSINI, the Italian movie at the Cinema Dante, is another one of the numerous musical film biographies sent us from European film capitals. This time its Gioacchino Rossini, quite

ROSSINI: released by Best Films, Inc.; directed by Mario Bonnard; written by Mario Bonnard, Parsifal Bassi, and Vittorio Novarese; with Gianna Pedersini, Tancredi Pasero and Gabriella Gatti. Italian film with English titles at the Cinema Dante.

effectively portrayed by Nino Besozzi, who gets the celluloid treatment. The film follows the usual formula screen treatment of a composer's life, including that almost inevitable sequences dealing with the time the composer's music was scorned. And like most such biographies this one, too, tends toward very loose story construction and episodic treatment.

Chief episodes in *Rossini* develop around the composing and presentations of the Barber of Seville, Otello, and Moses, and portions

of the operas are presented as part of the film. A prewar film, *Rossini*, was apparently made for cultural export. The craftsmanship is good within the scope of the treatment, but the film is certainly not inspired or even particularly exciting.—H. T.

Cinema 16 Presents Experimental Films

For two nights only a special program of surrealist and non-objective experimental films will be presented by Cinema 16 Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 3 and 4, at 7:30 and 9:30 at the Provincetown Playhouse, 133 MacDouglia Street.

House of Cards, experimental film study by Joseph Vogel, and Sidney Peterson's surrealist *The Cage* will have their New York Premiere. Also to be shown are *Glens Falls Sequence*, non-objective color animations, and *The Potted Psalm*, the unusual experimental film on a psychological theme.

Around the Dial

'Cavalcade of America' Presents
Helen Hayes as a Teacher

By Bob Lauter

TONIGHT WNBC's Cavalcade of America, (8:00 p.m.), will present Helen Hayes who will play the title role in *Good Morning, Miss Tyckman*. This is billed as a "timely tribute to the teaching profession."

Frank Gabrielson is the script writer. Advance notices indicate that the play will be a very inadequate attempt to deal with the critical situation in the teaching profession. The Helen Hayes part is that of a teacher who stuck to her post despite a lousy salary, difficult working conditions, and failure to get the principalship for which she was qualified.

Miss Tyckman discovers that it was all worth it when a former pupil—now a distinguished statesman—returns to visit her.

The teachers union should profit by this presentation, give up their demands, and wait for former pupils who are now statesmen to visit them (with a Hoover apple?). Should these statesmen turn out to be any one of our current ambassadors, just quit teaching and take up arc-welding. How would you feel if you taught John Foster Dulles all he knows?

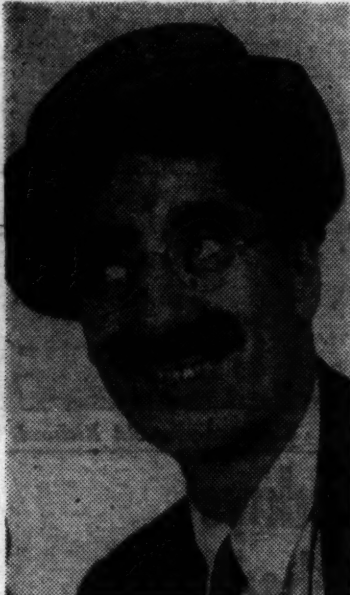
TOMORROW NIGHT (Tuesday) Leonard Bernstein will lead the Boston Symphony Orchestra in the presentation of the world radio premiere of David Diamond's "Symphony No. 4." The broadcast will originate from the Metropolitan Theatre, Providence, R. I. (WJZ-ABC, 9:30 p.m.).

The symphony, in three movements, was commissioned in 1945 by the Koussevitsky Music Foundation.

WENDEL NOBLE, who conducts the Tuesday night "Newscope," (WOR, 7:30) turned out to be a run-of-the-mill commentator whose reporting was inoffensive enough until he came to an item of news concerning the Soviet Union. At this point, he, too, pushed peanuts with



Eleanor Steber, Met soprano, sings on WNBC Monday at 8:30



GROUCHO MARX on WJZ Wednesday at 9:30 p.m.

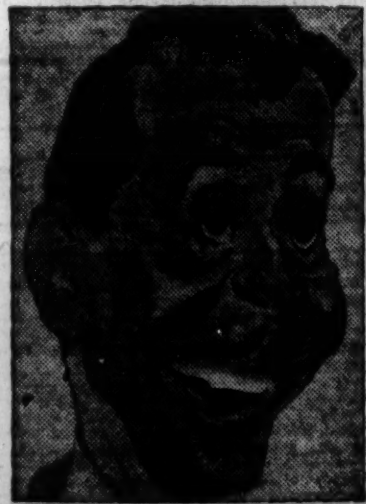
his nose. I've often wondered why commentators stop thinking whenever they approach the question of American-Soviet relations. Do they do it on orders, or does it come natural?

At 11 p.m., Tuesday, WQXR presents the N. Y. Times' "Washington Report." Charles Hurd of the Times staff reported from Washington on the Eisenhower declination. In Hurd's opinion, the Republican big-wigs were glad of Eisenhower's action. Hurd believes it was for the reasons Eisenhower stated in his declination. That's being a little kind to the Republican National Committee, all of whom doubtless wanted to keep the nomination strictly within the machine.

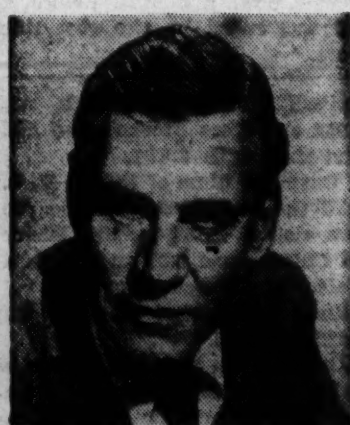
Commenting on the Stassen-Taft race in Ohio, Hurd thinks that Stassen does not expect to win. He hopes merely to pile up enough of a vote to make an impression on the nominating convention. Aptly enough, Hurd remarked that Eisenhower's declination has tightened the contest among the Republican aspirants, and made all of them feel good.

WNBC's "A Date With Judy" (Tuesday, 8:30 p.m.) is another family comedy. Judy is the adolescent girl whose eternal loves and endless situations provide the theme. It is urbanish, pleasant, full of sweetness and light with a dash of whipped cream. It's weakness is that it lacks subtlety and its characters tend to become caricatures rather than people—a mistake that a show like "Ozzie and Harriet" avoids.

(For radio listings see Page 11.)



MILTON BERLE up to his old gags on WNBC Tuesday at 8:00



WALTER HUSTON in Studio One's presentation of Sinclair Lewis' 'Dodsworth' on WCB, Tuesday at 10:00 p.m.

On Stage

The American Negro Theatre After Seven and a Half Years

By Abram Hill Director of the American Negro Theatre

HOUSED in the Henry Lincoln Johnson Lodge at 15 West 126th Street; upstairs over the private barroom of the lodge and one flight down from a ballroom that jumps seven nights a week, is a group of theatre people—who seven and one-half years ago

took out a summons against the hopeless and despair of the Negro theatre artist and would-be-artist and banded themselves together as the American Negro Theatre, Inc. Despite 2,738 days of hardship, misunderstanding, still homeless and fundless, the ANT is still alive with activity and clutching for a permanent spot on the cultural ledger of Harlem.

WITH TWENTY-FIVE productions to its credit; having placed 65 actors in professional shows; given birth to a play with a Negro cast that had the longest run on the American stage; raising without begging five-sixths of its operating budget pioneered in the establishment of group acting among Negroes; trained 385 different people for professional work and having gained international recognition for promoting better understanding among all people, the ANT—still with faith as its chief asset—tries harder each season to sell itself as a people's institution that is a necessity rather than a luxury.

This institutional theatre and training center as conceived and still being sought for by its founders and those who have since joined the sweat brigade. Merely producing and training a people is but a small fraction of its mission. One successful play and establishing a few "names" in the theatre scarcely touches the surface of ANT's mission.

For those who may have any misconceptions about what the ANT is trying to do, the following is set forth: Yes, training people and producing plays; but also establishing a permanent theatre home; avoiding distorted stage patterns and stereotypes; touring road companies and carrying flesh drama to the hinterlands; delivering entertainment that is significant; developing cooperative theatre to a point where participants can earn a steady livelihood through their crafts; maintain standards worthy of artistic evaluation and criticism; fostering a national theatre movement through regional forms, productions and sponsorships.

UNDER NORMAL circumstances, one or more of these tasks are enough to overtax the resourcefulness of any semi-professional group. If ANT was well housed and well heeled with funds, it would be still an achievement to find and produce worthy new material. Does not even the fabulous Broadway producer hit and miss with new vehicles? Does not the semi-fabulous brother of the producer lose his shirt and shorts with a flop on the road that he dumps for fear of bringing it into New York for the "nine men" to wave into oblivion with the tap of their typewriters? The combination of tasks besetting ANT are many and varied—abnormal to say the least. Its growth—as is so far—abnormal. At the same time, let the ANT theatre aspirants gain a good home and an endowment, the group is confident that it can rise to the artistic, challenging and significant theatre it desires to be.

Undaunted by adverse criticism and mountains of misunderstanding, the group is at present alive with activity at least ten hours a day—six days a week. The revival of "Rain," which opened Dec. 26 (Blizzard night) before a storm-defying audience of 33, is presently playing Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening through Feb. 28. An average of one hundred people a night trek snow paths to ANT to see the production which features Alice and Alvin Childress. Staged by Ted Post, the presentation on one hand has been compared favorably with the original Jean



ABRAM HILL directing a rehearsal of an American Negro production.

Eagles production and on the other raised a stir as to why ANT put it on.

AS A MATTER of fact, at least two phone calls a day come into ANT office asking, why *Rain* was presented. This question comes largely from theatre-wise people. ANT's answer is *Rain* is a superb indictment of religious hypocrisy. Religion plays an important part in the lives of the Negro people. Commercial distortions have lampooned, exploited and ridiculed this phase of life. Audiences have laughed heartily while Negro audiences have cringed under the impact of this exploitation and distortion. To see religious hypocrisy in terms of a universal character as the Rev. Davidson is enables ANT audiences to condemn such fanaticism without sensitive racial reactions. This point clarified itself most succinctly when a well known Harlem minister some seasons back stated that "he would support the ANT when the stage (generally speaking) quit making fools out of Negro ministers." After seeing *Rain*, he was pleasantly relieved because he felt so completely removed from the Rev. Davidson and pledged to support ANT annually.

WHILE THE STAGE is unoccupied with *Rain* three night a week, it's taken over two other productions now in rehearsal. *Sojourner*

Truth and *The Washington Years* are both new scripts now being readied for presentation this season. *Sojourner Truth* deals with the life of Sojourner Truth, the great slave orator of the 19th century. It is a historical play, exciting theatre and informative study of a great woman who spoke out despite the chains of slavery which were not strong enough to fasten her tongue.

The Washington Years is about the life of Lincoln. It deals with the intrigue in the inner circles of Washington during the crisis of the Civil War. ANT is presenting Lincoln played by a Negro actor. If anyone asks why ANT presents the emancipator as a Negro, we can only say that we think it's a very interesting idea, novel and will be most rewarding in its presentation. Besides, Lincoln himself will probably be happy to see his ordeal artistically interpreted by a descendent of one whom he liberated!

The choice of these two plays by virtue of their similarity in themes may appear unfortunate. However, the two plays are so completely different in treatment and theatrical power, the similarity fades into insignificance. The defense rests with the fact that desire for freedom is a theme that can never be played too often in the theatre.

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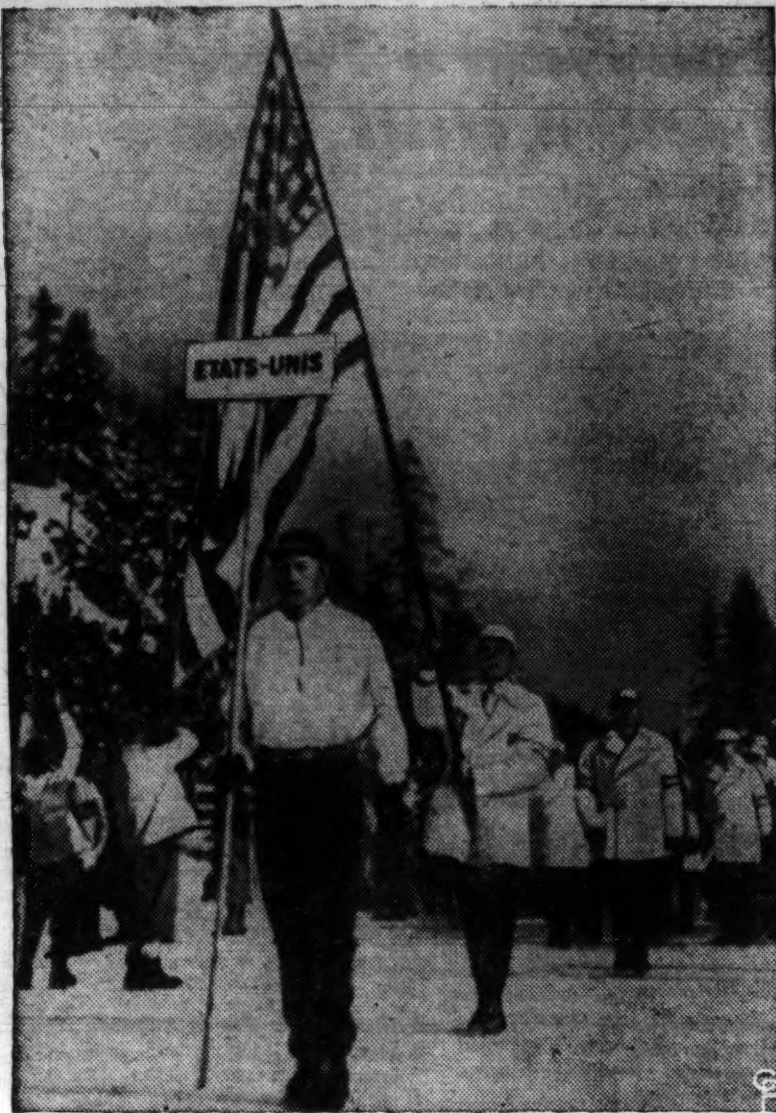
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PRELUDE TO OLYMPICS ACTION



THIS WAS THE scene last Friday morning at St. Moritz just before the Olympic Winter Games got underway. A group of American athletes stand at attention in the background, while two others hold the U.S. flag aloft. Some moments later the games got underway.

Kramer 'Satisfied' With Pro Shekels

Jack Kramer, America's leading amateur tennis player for the past two seasons who turned pro for a guarantee of \$50,000, had no regrets for his decision today.

"No," he said in an interview yesterday, "I'm satisfied. And professional tennis may make it possible for me to live comfortably for the rest of my life."

Kramer, the star of the United States Davis Cup teams for the past two years, signed a contract with promoter Jack Harris for a \$50,000 guarantee against a percentage of the gate. But financially, both Kramer and Harris agreed, he will gross considerably more than that.

"Jack told me last week that my percentage has equalled the guarantee," Kramer said, "And so I'll be over the \$50,000 figure for the rest of the tour."

Harris estimated that Kramer would be paid between \$110,000 and \$125,000 for the season schedule, and added that the figure probably would be about \$120,000.

For Kramer that represented security for the rest of his life.

"I never had a chance to get a college education," he said. "With this money, even if I don't play on another tennis tour, I can buy a business, set up annuities or something."

He didn't contemplate any effort to get a college degree.

"There's no reason why I should go to college now for four years," he said. "I'll play tennis as long as I can and then buy into some business."

Harris said that he believed the other three touring pros, Bobby Riggs, Pancho Segura of Ecuador and Dinny Pails of Australia, also would make more on a percentage of the gate than on their guarantee. Pails and Segura were both guaranteed \$20,000 and Harris estimated they would approximate \$30,000. Riggs' guarantee was \$30,000.

Harris planned to book his tennis exhibit for approximately 60 shows in the United States, but demand for dates, he said, forced him to extend the tour. Now he is negotiating for rights in Australia, South America, Africa and Europe, and believed the season would possibly extend until next fall.

And while the players were anticipating better pay than they were promised, Harris wasn't too sure of the promoter.

"I'm still in the red," he said today, "but I expect I can work out of it before the season ends."

Sid Loosens Up for Knicks

With three straight wins in their last four outings, the New York Knickerbockers open a busy week by hooking up with the Providence Steamrollers in a home and home series tomorrow and Wednesday.

With Sid Tannenbaum's last second sets clinching a win over the Celtics Saturday night, and rapidly rounding into his All-American form of old, the Lapchick leads take off for Providence and the first game with Nat Hickey's crew. And then it's back home at the 69th Armory Wednesday night.

Dell-LaRusso Return Tonite At St. Nicks

Johnny Dell, rugged Brooklyn lightweight, hopes to square accounts with Johnny LaRusso when the two meet tonight in the feature ten at St. Nick's Arena.

Last November, LaRusso was awarded the verdict after ten rounds of lively action, with some of the fans loudly disputing the official decision. Dell hopes to make it "official" tonight.

Friday night's St. Nick card pairs Eddie Gless, Philly welterweight, and Rocce Rossana.

Finns Upset Norway's Skiers at St. Moritz

ST. MORITZ, Feb. 1 (UP).—Finland today fought to a startling victory in the Nordic combined, history's oldest skiing event, kicking Norway completely out of the first three places which have been exclusive Norwegian property in all previous winter games.

However, Norway managed to salvage some of the glory on this third day of the fifth winter games when Reidar Liakles barely streaked in ahead of a blinding snowstorm to win the 5,000 meter (3.11 miles) speed skating race and teammate Odd Lundberg snared second place.

The U. S. hopes for its first gold medal of the competition were blasted when Gordon Wren of Winter Park, Colo., finished second in the special jumping event which was the second half of the Nordic Combined. Although he had been granted an early unofficial lead, the official tabulation placed Wren second to Sweden's Sven Israelsson.

Norway had won all first three places in the Nordic Combined in the first four Winter Olympics and was supreme in International Competition until Sweden won the event at Holmenkollen on Norway's own front doorstep last year.

But plucky Finnish race Heikki Hasu today made two creditable leaps on the Olympic ski jump before an enthralled crowd of 9,000 to cinch the long lead he established in the 18-kilometer (11.18 miles) cross country stint.

He won the combined championship with a clear margin of 15 points. Finland's Martti Huhtala took second place honors less than three-tenths of a point ahead of Israelsson due to the Swede's winning performance in the jump today.

The United States team scored a smashing 31 to 1 victory over much-pelleted Italy in the hockey competition not formally recognized as an Olympic event, while Czechoslovakia downed Poland, 31 to 1; Canada beat Britain, 3 to 0; and Switzerland downed Australia, 11 to 2, in the games played today.

Czechoslovakia, Switzerland, and Canada were tied for the lead, all undefeated.

Sweden chalked up a long lead in the pentathlon competition by taking first, second, third and fifth places in the shooting portion today. Sweden won the first three places in the pentathlon long distance skiing event yesterday.

AMERICA'S CORDON

Wren actually outtumped Israelsson in the ski competition.

His leap of 68.5 meters (224 feet 7 inches) was the longest of the day. However, it was form that cost the 29-year-old Coloradan a gold medal.

Israelsson grabbed his first place with 221.9 points. Wren had 222 points, and 30-year-old Corey Engen of Huntsville, Utah, was third with 214.8 points.

Engen was the top U. S. finisher in the combined, landing in 26th place with 346.8 points. Don Johnson of Salt Lake City was 27th with 345.1, Wren 29th with 340.2, and Ralph Townsend of Lebanon, N. H., 33rd with 326.7.

Wilber Irwin of Canada was 37th with 280.

A light snow and a dusty wind whipped the skating rink for the 5,111-meter race which began shortly after dawn. But as the day progressed, the weather got worse and Liakles barely finished before a full-fledged snowstorm began lashing the area.

No one had a chance after Liakles finished, such was the ice. The skaters raced in pairs, with the best time winning. Liakles was clocked in 8 minutes 29.4 seconds. Lundberg was timed in 8:32.7, with Goethe Heglund of Sweden third with 8:34.8; Gustav Jansson of Sweden fourth with 8:34.9, Jan



Eighteen-year-old Richard Button warms up at St. Moritz

Todays' Schedule

ST. MORITZ, Feb. 1 (UP).—The schedule for the fourth day of the Winter Olympic games tomorrow: 9 a. m. (3 a. m. EST)—Figure Skating, Men's Compulsory figures. 9:15 a. m. (3:15 a. m. EST)—1,500 meter (119.8 yards less than one mile) speed skating race. 10 a. m. (4 a. m. EST)—Men's downhill half of Alpine Combined skiing.

10 a. m. (4 a. m. EST)—Downhill event of Pentathlon.

10 a. m. (4 a. m. EST)—Non-olympic hockey: Austria vs. Sweden.

2:30 p. m. (4 a. m.)—Women's Downhill Skiing

3 p. m. (9 a. m.)—Non-olympic hockey: Czechoslovakia vs. Britain, Canada vs. Poland.

Good Hunting

AUGUSTA, Me. (UP). — Maurice Ricker of Augusta really had a big day hunting in Penobscot County. Shortly after breakfast he bagged a nine-point buck. An hour later he brought down a wildcat. Before the day was ended he also shot three bears.

Langedijk of Holland fifth with 8:36.2 and Kees Broekman of Holland sixth with 8:37.3.

Raymond Blum of Nutley, N. J., had the best American time. He was clocked in 8:54.4. Ken Henry of Chicago was 8:56 and Richard Salem of Chicago was 9:10.4.

Craig McKay of Canada was timed in 8:47.2.

The weather took it all. Charles Mathiesen, former Norwegian champion and one of the favorites for the event, withdrew after falling in the seventh lap of collapse. Alfred Altenberger of Switzerland and Pierre Huylebroek of Belgium did not even appear.

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In This Corner...

By Bill Mardo



A Matter of Seconds

YE REPORTORE has an entry for consideration to the National Sports Shrine of tomorrow... that magnificent museum whose wall space will be filled with symbols and momentos of everything historic in American sport. The ball which got away from Mickey Owen, a photostatic copy of Avery Brundage's conscience, Mike Jacobs' store teeth, the trunks Tunney wore that long night on the canvas, the tear shed by Sol Strauss as he wrote a bigger cut of the television receipts into Joe Louis' last contract—AND, cherished wonder that it is, the watch off my wrist.

Let me tell you about that timepiece. Manufactured and bred in Italy, it came to America with some GI finally coming home a few months ago and found its way into my possession for a few basketball comps and an IOU. No ordinary chronograph, this. Besides being exactly five minutes slow, it records the month and date, hour of sunrise and sunset, the position of Mars in relation to the earth, body and room temperature (quite frigid of late) and has a lifetime guarantee of free repairs with the sole proviso that it be delivered in person to the store in Italy from whence it was bought.

But for me, the watch's lone attraction was its stop-second apparatus. Very functional in the sports craft. And now to the heart of this story. Two nights ago in Madison Square Garden your boy was the first, the very first! to know Gil Dodds had cracked the indoor mile record. And with puffy chest made that historic announcement to all in the press rows who, otherwise, would have waited three minutes in unbearable impatience for the official announcement.

It was quite simple, really. The chronograph clocked a 58.4 quarter, 2:00.8 half, 3:03.9 three-quarters, plus the vital 0:61.4 final quarter. All you do is add it up.

Quick, concise calculations on paper, rapid re-check of the total, a pompous clearing of the throat, and:

"Gentlemen! The time for the mile was 4:05!"

The excitement was wondrous to behold. And I had made some small contribution, eh? Three minutes later the official clocking came over the loudspeaker. 4:05.3. Unless you're a track fan you won't understand why so much damn fuss about three-tenths of a second, but I left the Garden in a hurry. If you find a boat-ride to Italy appealing, you can have the watch, repair free.

I know it couldn't have been my arithmetic.

Gino In-Jackie Out

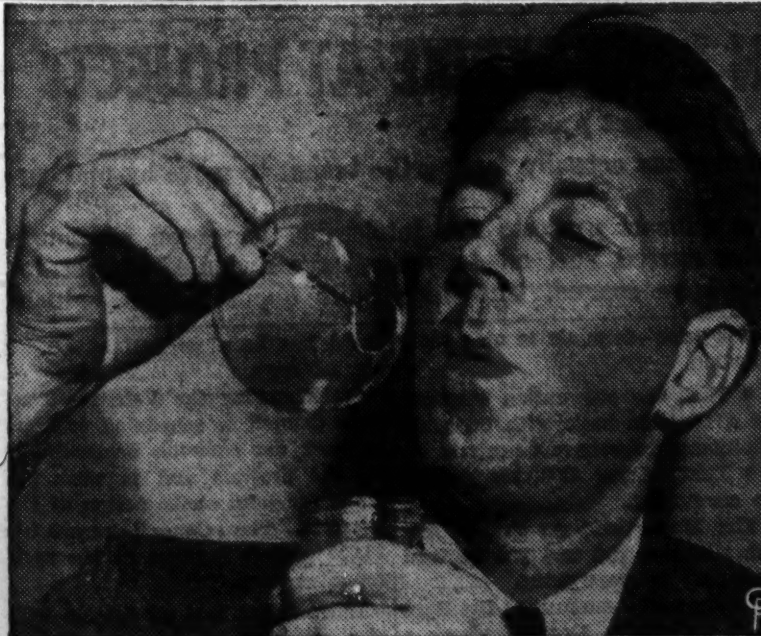
GINO BUONVINO isn't a very talented heavyweight, but such is the scarcity of even mediocre heavyweights that the Italian champ has undoubtedly hit the Pot of Gold by his easy win over Jackie Cranford. The dumpy Gino is already paired with Joe Baksi (remember him?) for March 19 at the Garden, and since beating Baksi is no great task, the possibility is Buonvino will be having the word "contender" put before his name soon. Horrors. He's all fighter, if moving in continually, punching continually, makes of one a fighter. It probably does. But there are all shades of fighting ability, and I'm afraid the ever-trying Gino is of the less gifted school. His punches come in bunches, and the whole lot of them add up to something akin to fly-swatting.

Even Cranford, fragile as he is, wasn't inclined to a respite on the canvas. As a matter of fact, he didn't seem inclined toward doing anything once he discovered that his very best right-handed wallop only brought a confusing smile from Gino's lips. And once Gino began to push and maul and punch and keep coming eternally toward him, Cranford, once imagined by some as the successor to Louis' crown, was thankful he wasn't in there with a solid puncher anyway. If he couldn't outbox the guy, then at least he wouldn't get killed while losing.

Yes, somewhere down the line, Jackie lost the sharp promise he showed here two years ago in the prelims. It was obvious in his win over Bernie Reynolds, a few weeks back, and painfully glaring by the easy manner in which a none too talented plodder took his measure.

The big crowd of 16,000 was willing to forgive anything after the great semi-final between Terry Young and Paddy DeMarco. That one was club fighting at its best, wild, savage everything-goes stuff with the younger DeMarco too fast with his feet and hands for Terrible Terry. Strangely enough, the decision didn't agree with everyone who attended and that, plus the sure bet of action, makes for another rich re-match.

No skin off Sol Strauss' nose. But at least Young has been saved the job of meeting Ike Williams. The lightweight champ would've slaughtered him. How about Freddie Dawson filling in that open date, Sol?



Blows Up Storm:

Snow-making scientist Vincent J. Schaefer blows up a bubble in a room chilled below freezing to show that ice or snow crystals are formed in the bubble if the air contains snow-creating elements.

Rickey to Receive McNamee Award

Branch Rickey, president of the Brooklyn Dodgers, will receive the first annual Graham McNamee Memorial Award on Feb. 24 for his outstanding contribution to sports in 1947. Ted Husing, president of the Sports Broadcasters' Association, announced yesterday.

Presentation of the plaque will be made at a dinner here.

The award is named after the late McNamee, one of America's pioneer

Dodds Points For Olympics

Hopes for a decent American showing in the Olympic mile competition next summer are perking up on the heels of Gil Dodds' one-man revival campaign. With two successive

weeks of brilliant running under his belt, capped by last Saturday night's record shattering 4:05.3 at the Garden, Gil seems bent on not only making the Olympics, but making all those who predict a sweep for the Scandinavian millers think again.

Actually Dodds' performance two nights ago matched the American outdoor record by the great Gunder Hagg at the Harvard Stadium during his 1943 tour here. Nobody has ever run a faster mile in America except Glenn Cunningham's 4:04.4 on a special Dartmouth track.

Well, one thing is now certain. Gil has become an American mile hopeful where a few short weeks ago there was none. Despite his having won more miles under 4:10 than any other American miller in history, nobody had given serious thought to Dodds' chances in the Olympics. Some of those Finnish and Swedish lads just run like nothing human. But what Dodds did on the outmoded, slow Garden boards the other night is cause enough to revise all the old estimates.

Had there been anyone in there pushing him at all, there's no guessing what his final clocking might have been. As things were, Bill Mack, Les MacMitchell, Brownie Ross, Quentin Brekford and Gerald Karver were just in there for the formality of it all. Dodds took over the lead from the word go, and after that was off running by himself.

The Deacon will toe the mark again next Saturday night in the Hunter Mile at Boston. All the old standbys will get on the starting line with him, and then kiss him bon voyage.

Reggie Pearman is billed for the Lapham 1,000 at Boston, after his thrilling perfectly timed last lap spurt to cop the Millrose 880. . . . Herb McKenely, currently racing in Australia, is expected due for the Hollis 600. . . but as yet it's not definite that he'll be home in time.

Local Cage Action Picking Up Again

The local basketball quiet brought on by exams starts lifting this week as the New York quints continue rolling back into full-fledged activity, although not on the Garden court now covered with Sonja Henie's ice.

St. John's, losers to Temple Saturday night in another example of the chronic second-half lapses suffered by the Redmen, goes against Brooklyn College tomorrow night at the 14th Regiment Armory in Brooklyn . . . and again on Friday night the McGuire's tangle with tough Manhattan on the 69th Regiment Armory floor.

NYU, still atop the slimming unbeaten list, has two games lined up. The first and easier one comes off Thursday night in the Hub against Boston U, while Saturday night's task may not prove so simple. The Violets will be repaying Temple's visit to the Garden, a visit which the NYUers made somewhat of a holiday. But beating Temple on its home court is another matter, and the Philadelphians will be revenge conscious to a fault.

Fordham, whose victory skein finally came to a halt at Syracuse Saturday night as Bill Gabor paced the Orange with 22 points, is home to Rutgers on Wednesday and then comes up the big one Saturday with unbeaten Columbia.

City College gets back into action against Montclair Teachers that same night at the 69th Regiment hardwoods, while LIU is playing host to Ithaca College.

Yes, the season is getting back into stride, gents.

COURT NOTES: Kentucky's Wildcats won their 18th in 19 starts by knocking off DePaul 68-51 Saturday night, while the Oklahoma Aggies took its 15th win in 17 games with a 43-35 decision over Loyola in a Chicago Stadium twin-bill. . . Big Ed Mikan tried awfully hard to keep the losers in there with a 23-point high total, while doing a fine defensive job on Alex Groza. But Wah Wah Jones, Ralph Beard and the other Wildcat set artists were too much for Mikan and Co. Notre Dame comes up now for the Kentuckians.

The Big Nine has a new leader today for the first time since the season's start—the University of Michigan. The Wolverines ousted defending champion Wisconsin from the top spot by a 53-37 margin over Northwestern for Michigan's third win in four Conference starts. The new leaders travel to Ohio State tonight, where the competition isn't expected to remove them from leadership. . . .

OTHER CONFERENCE races look thisaway: The Southern Conference might be able to break its deadlock between North Carolina and North Carolina State when the two teams meet Wednesday night.

The great St. Louis quint and the Oklahoma Aggies are locked for the Missouri Valley Crown. Both clubs have busy schedules this week, which may loosen up the race.

Brigham Young fronts the Big Seven race but Denver and are still

threatening. . . .

The Southeastern Conference race can't be decided—or even forecast—until the annual tourney in March. But Kentucky and Tulane each have only lost once, although the Wildcats have two more wins on the credit side.

Al Weill Splits With Champions, Inc.

Al Weill, veteran fight manager and promoter, announced—yesterday that he had severed his connections with "Tournament of Champions, Inc.," a group of New York business men who had been planning to stage a Rocky Graziano-Tony Zale middleweight title fight at Atlantic City in May.

"Whether they will go through with that fight and with others they were planning, I do not know," he said. "We could not agree to terms for my serving as their promoter, so I terminated my association with them."

Weill said he would continue to be associated with promoter Goldy Ahearn at Washington, D. C., and that Ahearn plans to use middleweight champion Graziano in a non-title fight at the capital on or about April 5.

Wildcat Invades City

COLUMBUS, Ga. (UP).—A wildcat managed to penetrate to the center of this city of more than 100,000 population. It went unnoticed until it was run over and killed by a motorist at a busy intersection.

Entries, Selections

Hialeah Entries

Hialeah Park entries for Monday, Feb. 2. Clear and fast. Post 2 p.m. EST. FIRST—3 furlongs; claiming; maidens; 2-year olds; \$3,500.

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a-Woolford farm entry.

SECOND—5 furlongs; allowances; 3-year olds; \$3,500.

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*Devil Dust . . .104 Joe Olsen . . .114
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a-Bobanet stable entry.

THIRD—1 1/8 miles on turf; claiming; 3-year olds and up; \$3,000.

*Show113 *Wise Tiger . . .113
*Fort Schuyler .113 *Millstep . . .111
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FOURTH—6 furlongs; maidens; fillies; 3-year olds; \$3,000.

Silver Drift118 *Busy Hop . . .118
*Lady Fakir . . .113 Breezy Blue . . .118
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FIFTH—6 furlongs; allowances; 3-year olds; \$3,500.

Beausy109 Three Rings . .114
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a-Calumet farm entry.

SIXTH—6 furlongs; allowances; 3-year olds and up; \$5,000.

Kitchen Police . .110 b-Tavistock . . .112
a-Citation . . .113 Rampart . . .113
a-Armed130 Bordeaux . . .114
*Say Blue106 b-Ellis . . .114
a-Calumet farm entry. b-A F Plock entry.

SEVENTH—1 1/8 miles; allowances; 4-year olds and up; \$3,500.

Donna's Ace . . .104 Miss M L . . .111
Alworth109 Stud Poker . .116
Thor112 Superwolf . . .112
Sublime107 Respingo . . .120

EIGHTH—1 3/16 miles; claiming; 3-year olds; \$3,500.

*Stamp Album .105 Gee Tee Cee . .115
*Little Min . . .105 Peanut's Girl . .107
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Lujack Here With Bears Sept. 14th

Johnny Lujack, of Notre Dame, unanimous choice for All-America quarterback and recipient of most of the awards for individual athletic achievement in 1947, will make his Eastern professional debut as a member of the Chicago Bears against the New York Giants in the Polo Grounds the night of Tuesday, Sept. 14. The occasion will be the tenth annual Fresh Air Fund game of the New York Herald Tribune.

7 Communists Elected To Board of Bevin's Union

By Betty Wallace

LONDON, Feb. 1.—Workers in Great Britain's largest union have repudiated the anti-Communist drive of the official Labor Party and Trade Union Congress leadership by electing seven Communists to its executive committee.

In the Transport and General Workers Union elections, Communist Bert Papworth, who is a member of the General Council of the Trade Union Congress, was elected with 20,356 votes. Communist Bill Jones garnered 22,302 votes. Both of these

busmen's leaders got at least 10,000 more votes than the highest candidates who were defeated. Five other Communists were elected.

Before entering the labor government, Ernest Bevin was the head of the Transport and General Workers Union. The present general secretary of the union, Arthur Deakin, chairman of the World Federation of Trade Unions, is among the leaders of the anti-Communist drive who sought in particular to have Papworth and Jones defeated.

Tenant Parley Plans Drive for Rent Cuts

The first annual convention of the Emergency Committee on Rent and Housing, held over the weekend in Tom Mooney Hall, 13 Astor Place, pledged to organize a campaign to obtain rent decreases for 100,000 New York tenants.

Attended by more than 250 delegates, the housing parley adopted a program for 1948 which included:

- A delegation to City Hall on Feb. 4 to press for compulsory fuel allocation in favor of tenants if the Mayor's voluntary program bogs down.

- Appointment of 250 additional inspectors in the Department of Building and Housing to process the backlog of 239,000 housing law violations now recorded.

- A delegation to Housing Expediter Tighe Woods to get more speed in considering tenants' requests for rent reductions and to make rent reductions retroactive as is the case with rent raises granted landlords.

- Organization of a rent and housing lobby in Albany in February to fight for a \$500,000,000 bond issue for low-cost housing in the state.

WALLACE GREETES PARLEY

Betty Wallace sent a message to the convention in which he called for passage of the Taft-Hartley-Wagner Housing Bill. This legislation, Wallace wrote, "carries the names of leaders of both old parties. The bi-partisans have no difficulty in getting action on their dangerous foreign policy. There is no excuse for their lack of vigilant leadership on the housing problem."

Prizes for outstanding contributions to the tenant movement were awarded to Bonita Williams, Harlem tenant leader, and to Alfred K. Stern, well known housing authority.

Ask \$400 Million

In Federal School Aid

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (UP).—A presidential commission recommended today that Congress appropriate \$389,000,000 in federal aid for colleges and universities during the next school year.

The 28-member Commission on Higher Education, appointed by President Truman on July 13, 1946 made public the fifth installment of its six-volume report.

A majority of 26 members held that Federal financial aid should be withheld from private schools, such as those sponsored and controlled by religious denominations. It said the public has a right to control what it pays for and that private schools therefore could not accept government money without surrendering their freedom of action.

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scattered "ayes" in a voice vote which shouted it down.

Both the Trilling report and the report on organization delivered by Murray Berman, an AFL union official, paid tribute to the American Labor Party and predicted that it would be strengthened by the Wallace candidacy.

"I think all New York PCAs recognize our good fortune in having an ALP in this state," Trilling said. "It's legal presence makes it certain Mr. Wallace will appear on the ballot in New York. Additionally we shall have the advantage in this campaign of thousands of experienced election district captains and canvassers."

URGES ISACSON SUPPORT

Trilling declared the ALP would be enormously strengthened and broadened by the thousands who would support it, including the rank-and-file of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers as a result of its support to Wallace.

He urged full backing to Leo Isaacson, ALP nominee in the 24th Congressional District, Bronx. Isaacson later spoke to the convention which greeted him with an ovation.

He declared the country would be shaken politically by his victory in the Bronx bye-election Feb. 17.

At a press conference earlier in the day Trilling told reporters the Wallace movement would probably coalesce with either major party behind acceptable candidates for Congress where such were offered. Asked what an acceptable candidate was, he said every individual would have to be judged separately, but that no candidate could be considered acceptable who "vigorously and enthusiastically" fell in line with the bi-partisan war program, or who backed the Taft-Hartley Law, or who refused to support effective action against rising prices or against discrimination.

APPROVES PROGRAM

The convention approved a comprehensive state legislative program, with emphasis on the need to defeat the witch-hunt bills before the state legislature.

It named Paul Kern, former New York City Civil Service Commissioner, as state chairman. Shirley Graham, well-known Negro novelist and biographer, was named secretary, and Dr. Randolph, prominent educator, was elected treasurer.

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V. Grigoryan (Grigoryan is editor of the Tiflis Zarya Vostoka, publication of the Supreme Council of the Georgia S. S. R.); France: A. Lecoer and Pierre Hentges (August Lecoer served as undersecretary for coal production and industrial production in two French cabinets); Czechoslovakia: B. Geminder and B. Voda Peksa; Italy: D. Rossia and D. Pajetta.

The permanent editorial board for the bureau's journal includes Biro, Hentges, Voda Peksa, Grigoryan, Pajetta, Ziheri, Finkelstein and Yudin. Others are A. Buik, M. Gorchick, H. Halachov and M. Shumilov, who were not listed as delegates nor identified by countries. (Shumilov is editor of the Leningrad Pravda, Communist Party newspaper.)

The latest issue of the Journal, published today, said the Marshall Plan had run into resistance, both in the United States and abroad.

"It is obvious that hard times have set in for the Marshall Plan," M. Marinin wrote in an article called "The International Arena—Promise and Reality."

"Never in the history of the U. S. has there been such a complete lineup of a huge, corrupt propaganda machine as in the case of the Marshall Plan," said Marinin.

"Never has U. S. imperialistic reaction relied on such a scale on the service of European fifth columns. Because the U. S. expansionist drive is encountering stiff resistance, Wall Street magnates are not interested in risking considerable sums, but instead are doling out annual alms to their satellites and waiting to see what happens."

In a second article Jan Marek described Britain's Bevin as a shadow of wartime Premier Winston Churchill and an echo of Washington.



By BARNARD RUBIN

THEY DON'T SAY so publicly, but his fellow New York Democrats are peeved at Councilman Walter Hart, chairman of the Council Rules Committee, for pushing the move to deny Si Gerson his rightful seat in Council.

They feel they're being forced to support an unpopular issue and they're complaining that Hart is doing so for his own personal gain at their expense.

Intimates are told—but not for quotation—that Hart has been promised a fat judicial post as the pay-off from the Cashmore machine and another interested reactionary group.

(Hart himself has a curious and checkered career—of which more anon—perhaps later this week.)



TOWN TALK

The gag along Shubert Alley now that Arthur Schwartz is finishing his musical based on John Gunther's book Inside U. S. A., is "when will he do the same for the Kinsey Report (Sexual Behavior in the Human Male)"—not to be confused with the Tinsley Report on Behavior in the Human Female. . . .

Make Mine Manhattan star David Burns was in hot water up to his neck the other night—but literally—and physically. Burns, in that skit satirizing the new fountain pen is forced to actually use it under water. The night in question the water in the tank was heated, by accident, way above the usual temperature and Burns narrowly escaped a scalding. . . .

Bob Hope's sponsor may substitute another product for him to boost. . . .

Brazil will soon begin importing Japanese films. Deal will be handled through an outfit called The Brazilian Export Company—a San Francisco firm. . . .

To date more than half of the radio stations which have bought Duke Ellington's disc jockey show are south of the Mason-Dixon line. Born Yesterday will get a Paris production. Rene Clair and wife working on it. . . .

The movie version of Ibsen's "A Doll's House" will be filmed in Norway and the studio work will be done in Sweden. As previously itemed Dorothy McGuire will play the female lead and Swedish playwright Ingmar Bergman will write the screen play. . . .

One of the reasons for the cancellation of the Christ In Concrete movie production in Italy was the freezing of producer Rod Geiger's lire deposits by the Italian government. The film, as you may have read, will be produced here and in Hollywood. . . .

Talk that the United Nations subcommittee on Freedom of Information and the Press will consider motion pictures on its agenda in Geneva, March 23. Entertainment films, if this materializes, will not be considered: only cinema insofar as "news on films" is concerned—newsreels and documentaries. . . .

British movie producer Alexander Korda out to buy Ernest Hemingway's story, Snows of Kilimanjaro from the Mark Hellinger estate. That new popular Ira Stadlin WNYC comedy radio show is now being directed by John Marley. . . .

One of the taxi companies in town playing around with the idea of building a smaller cab. Some of the directors say that a cab is rarely used for six people and that a cab built for four would be adequate and would also be able to maneuver in and out of traffic with more ease than the six-seater. . . .

Members of the Hollywood Committee for the First Amendment have affiliated with the Committee for One Thousand, the main objective of which is to work for the abolition of the Un-American Committee. . . .

Uline's Arena, a large Washington, D. C. hall which houses circuses, ice shows, and indoor sports events, has dropped its color ban and will seat patrons on a non-discrimination basis. This may be an important break in Washington's Jimcrow policy in the entertainment field. Meanwhile the capitol's movie houses and the National Theatre is still strictly Jimcrow. . . .

THAT'S TELLING 'EM

A local small retail dealer in refrigerators the other day, wrote to a large manufacturing outfit ordering a carload of refrigerators.

The manufacturer wired him immediately: "Cannot ship refrigerators until you pay for your last consignment."

"Unable to wait so long," wired back the refrigerator dealer, "cancel order." . . .

1400 VETS BEGIN RENT STRIKE AT PROJECT

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refuses vital services to a tenant, thus actually forcing the tenant to move by making living conditions unbearable.

That conditions at the two quonset projects are intolerable has been conceded by all. Since the recent cold wave started, fuel oil deliveries have dwindled almost to the vanishing point and prices have soared. The Jerry-built quonset huts, which

have gone unrepaired for months, have developed cracks and leaks, making them leaky and drafty.

Tenants who were in the delegation that visited City Hall Friday told of sweeping snow from their bedrooms, of walls peeling from the cold, of children going about bundled up while indoors and a steadily rising rate of illness.

Approximately 1,900 families live in the two projects.

The delegation to City Hall put three demands before the city. The demands were:

- That the city absorb the increase in the cost of fuel over last

year's price—from six to nine cents a gallon.

- That the city ration kerosene on a citywide basis with adequate allotments to veterans projects.

- That Mayor O'Dwyer declare an emergency.

The Mayor said on Friday that the situation did not yet warrant declaring an emergency.

Friday night veterans at the Rego Park project in Queens, where a 3½-year-old girl died last week of pneumonia, voted to strike and actions were planned at the Jamaica and Marine Park projects, where

there has been no fuel at all for several days.

On Thursday the Veterans Tenants Council is scheduled to meet to work out common demands for all the projects and to work out plans for joint strike action at the projects. The Council represents 20,000 project families in the metropolitan area.

Independent fuel oil dealers were also reported to be preparing a strike today, if the city does not take action to break the artificial oil shortage and price squeezes created by the big oil companies.